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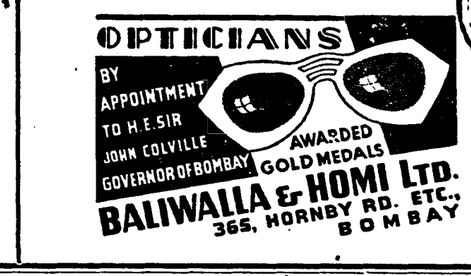

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4-Way Drive To Clear Scheldt Pocket Makes Headway

Link-Up Of Two Forces Imminent: Leaflets Dropped In 6 Towns Advising Enemy To Surrender

S.H.A.E.F., Paris, Oct. 15.

Today's 'communique' says: "A further crossing of the Leopold Canal was made yesterday near Watervleit and our troops north of the Canal have been reinforced. Further east we advanced north-west towards Allied units which have continued to move southwards from Biervliet.

Our hold on the neck of Beveland remained firm. South-east of Overloon we advanced a thousand yards over a several-mile front.

EARLY LINK-UP OF TWO FORCES?

From Reuter's Special Correspondent, S.H.A.E.F., Paris (Sunday):

The fourway drive to clear the Scheldt pocket is today making good progress and the link-up of the two forces is expected soon. The operation is a masterpiece of timing, and is materially hastening the clearing of the approaches to Antwerp.

ADVICE TO SURRENDER

As Gen. Hodge's men grind slowly towards the heart of Aachen, American planes yesterday rained more than four million leaflets on six towns along a 75-mile stretch of the front south of Aachen. The leaflets told the Germans in these towns that their position was hopeless and that they had better surrender.

CANADIAN DRIVE

From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the First Canadian Army (Sunday): —The Canadians have made yet another crossing of the Leopold Canal and have plunged two miles into the South Scheldt pocket against light opposition. The latest breach is roughly half way between the original bridge-head south of Aardenburg and the eastern end of the Leopold Canal near Savojaards inlet.

Simultaneous with this drive, beach-head troops in the north-east corner have struck south-wards in a two-mile advance to link up with the forces at the eastern-end of the Canal, thus forming a solid six-mile front along the eastern side of the pocket.

The Canadians are now controlling several miles stretch of the railway running from the base of the inlet through Biervliet to Breskens.

GERMANS RECAPTURE WOENDRECHT

With these advances comes the significant report that German resistance in the pocket is weakening before four-sided attacks. News of fihting on the Dutch mainland for the control of south Beveland causeway is not so good. Canadians have been forced off the main road and railway along the neck and Germans have recaptured Woendrecht at the base of the causeway.

NAZIS SPEAK OF BRITISH PRESSURE

BERLIN, Oct. 15.—To-day's German communique said: "British pressure on the Maas, south of Gennep increased. East of Luneville and Epinal and above all, south-east of Remiremont the Allies continued their attacks with concentrated forces.

In Italy the Allies continued their strong attacks supported by superior air forces on either side of the Bologna-Florence highway and on the Adriatic coast."

NAZIS COMPLAIN OF "BETRAYAL"!

Owing to "the betrayal" of Rumania and Bulgaria, it became necessary to evacuate southern Greece. "These movements which began on the Aegean Islands and Peleponnese have been in progress for weeks. The last German rearguards evacuated Athens on October 12th without fighting.

Soviet pressure increased in the region of Czirokatal and Dukla Pass." German lines had been breached north of Serce. There were numerous Russian attacks against the Memel bridgehead. "In the far north our Alpine troops withdrew from the northern part of Petsamo Fjord. Tilsit, Hamburg and Berlin were raided last night."

AACHEN GARRISON REINFORCED

From Reuters' Special Correspondent with the United States First Army Headquarters (Sunday night) The Garrison of Aachen, now resisting the Americans in fierce house-to-house fighting, is believed to have been reinforced by six German transport planes which flew over the city last night.—Reuter.

COLOGNE HEAVILY ATTACKED

LONDON, Oct. 15: The United States air headquarters announced to-day, "more than 1,200 flying fortresses and liberators of the United States Eighth Air Force attacked military targets at Cologne, the important industrial and communications centre and two oil plants in Germany to-day. All targets were within approximately 4 miles of the battlefront along the Siegfried line. Colognee which received its second heavy attack in two days was bombed through clouds with instruments by flying fortresses and liberators. Liberators assigned to attack Monheim and Reisholz oil plants south and south-east of Dusseldorf were able to drop bombs visually. Strong forces of Thunderbolts and Mustangs escorted bombers."—Reuter.

Bulgarian Ex-King Liberated

The German Overseas News Agency tonight (Saturday) said ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria who had got into the hands of Communist bands on his Slovak Estate at Sveti Antol has been liberated by German troops. "Except for a short official statement no further details are as yet available in Berlin about this affair", the Agency added.—Reuter.

Pacific, Oct. 15.

Allied bombers have raided Japanese installations at Amboina and Ceram, dropping 130 tons of bombs. Concentrations of trapped Japanese near Wewak, New Guinea have been strafed and harassing raids have been made on the Bismark, Bougenville and Shortland Islands.—Reuter.

Rommel Dead?

German News Agency Report

LONDON, OCT. 15.

THE GERMAN NEWS AGENCY SAYS THAT FIELD MARSHAL ROMMEL IS DEAD. —REUTER.

HITLER ORDERS STATE FUNERAL

The German News Agency announced on Sunday night that "Gen. Field-Marshal Rommel has died as the result of severe injuries to his head which he received in a motor car accident, while Commander-in-Chief of the Army Group in the west. Hitler has ordered a state funeral. With the death of Gen. Field Marshal Rommel, the soldierly life of one of our most successful army Commanders has reached fulfilment. His name will be for ever linked with the two years' heroic fight of the German Africa Corps."—Reuter.

BRITISH TROOPS OCCUPY ATHENS

LONDON, OCT. 14.

THE ALGIERS RADIO TONIGHT (SATURDAY) BROADCAST THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL 'COMMUNIQUE' FROM ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, MEDITERRANEAN: "TODAY BRITISH TROOPS OCCUPIED ATHENS AND PIRAEUS.

The occupation was carried out by British and Greek Troops who were transported, landed and supported by ships of the Royal Navy which included units of the Greek Navy. British Airborne troop, carried in aircraft of the United States Army Air Forces, played a leading part in the operation

PRIME MINISTER OF TRANS-JORDAN RESIGNS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 15: Tewfik Pasha Abulhuda, who was for six years the Prime Minister of Transjordan, resigned on Saturday morning.—Reuter.

Allies Within Four Miles From Tiddim

Japs' Counter-Attacks Beaten Off

From Don O'Beirne, A. P. I. special correspondent at Kandy (Sunday):—

The long-expected Japanese stand on the Tiddim road has at last materialised at Tiddim itself. It was expected that the Japanese would make a stand at the crossings to the Manipur river in the third week of September, but the crossings were taken in three days by the Fifth Indian Division and a series of "left and right hooks" carried them past Tonzang well up the road. The difficult "Chocolate Staircase" also was taken quickly, and it seemed that the 14th Army would canter up straight to Tiddim.

However, the Japanese are stubbornly defending this Chin Hills village from north, east and south-east, with well dug in ground troops and artillery. Their counter-attacks were all beaten off with casualties. British and Indian troops attacking under cover of heavy shelling and air support are now less than four miles from Tiddim. In places patrols have approached within 40 yards of the village.

South-east of Tiddim, Japanese defences covering the Tiddim-Fort white road and the Tiddim-Kalemyo road—the main Japanese outlet from the Chin Hills—were attacked by raiding patrols and casualties inflicted.

JAPS CAPTURE KWEIPING

CHUNGKING, Oct. 15: A Chinese communique on Saturday night said that the Japanese captured Kweiping where the Chinese garrison outnumbered by four to one.—Reuter.

Japs Increase Their Artillery Activity

KANDY, Oct. 15.

Following is to-day's S.E.A.C. communique:

"CHIN HILLS: No change is reported from Tiddim where Japanese resistance continues. Their artillery activity has increased. In support of our ground forces, fighter-bombers stepped up their effort yesterday and registered successful strikes on enemy strongpoints.

"ARAKAN: Under pressure from West African troops the enemy has abandoned positions in the hills between the Sangu and Kaladan valleys inside the Burma border.

"AIR: Allied aircraft of Eastern Air Command yesterday provided strong support for our troops in the Tiddim sector. "Attacks on communications and bridges were maintained. One Allied aircraft is missing"

Jap Transport Routes Crippled

KANDY, Oct. 15.—A press note issued to-day from S.E.A.C. Headquarters says:

"Delayed reports show that attacks by "Mitchells" of the U.S. Tenth Air Force have crippled Japanese transport routes through the key town of Lashio on the Burma Road. Two direct hits destroyed half of the main road bridge. Two bridges on the by-pass railway four and a half-miles south of Kawlin were attacked, one being wrecked and the other severely damaged, and the railway bridge over the river near Meza was twisted and tilted.

"Aircraft of Eastern Air Command have been ranging wide over Burma in the last few days, paralysing Japanese supply lines.

JAP "TASK FORCE" SUSTAINS HEAVY CASUALTIES

TAUNGBAZAAR, Oct. 15.—Indian mountain gunners were the main cause of heavy casualties inflicted on the Jap "task force" of about one composite battalion which lost upwards of a quarter of its strength—nearly 200 casualties—in a futile bid to seize the entrance to the vital Goppe Pass, joining Bawli Bazaar and Goppe Bazaar west and east of the Mayu Range.

In the Goppe area, nearly 50 Japs were caught unawares by Sikh and Punjabi Mussalman gunners of a veteran mountain battery. More than 40 bodies have been recovered in the area of a Chaung where the enemy were having an evening meal.—A.P.

Reds Capture Petsamo

Raids On Memel And Tilsit: Street Fighting In Belgrade

MOSCOW, Oct. 15:

Petsamo has been captured, says Marshal Stalin in an order of the day. The order of the day which is addressed to Gen. Meretskov and Admiral Golovko says: "Troops of the Karelian front have broken through the strongly fortified German defence zone, north-west of Murmansk, and today, (October 15th), in co-operation with warships and landing parties of the northern fleet captured the town of Petsamo, an important naval base and powerful German stronghold in the extreme north.—Reuter.

INHABITED LOCALITIES OCCUPIED

MOSCOW, Oct. 14: To-night's (Saturday's) "communique" says "During October 14, south of Riga, our troops fought offensive engagements and occupied a number of inhabited localities and the railway station of Valuzi. In Northern Transylvania, our troops in co-operation with Rumanian troops fought their way into a number of inhabited localities, including eight railway stations.

South and south-east of Belgrade our troops operating in conjunction with units of the Yugoslav National Army of Liberation occupied a number of inhabited localities. On other sectors of the front there was patrol activity, on all sectors of the front our troops disabled or destroyed 195 enemy tanks and shot down, 56 planes by air combat and anti-aircraft fire".

RAIDS ON MEMEL AND TILSIT

Tonight's Soviet Air Communique states "During the night of October 13 our Long Range Air Force carried out raids on the port of Memel and the German town of Tilsit.

Nine German transports were in the port at the time of the raid on Memel. Large concentration of troops and military equipment was observed in north-western part of the town. More than forty fires were started.

The largest ones which were followed by explosions by great force were seen in the area of the winter harbour and in the central part of the port in the area of the oil depots, ship building yards and at the railway junction.

Our pilots were able to see the glow of fires from a distance of 200 kilometres. The Tilsit railway train was smashed by a direct hit. Large fires were started near the bridges across the Nieman River and in northern and southern parts of the town a number of violent explosions were observed.—Reuter.

GERMAN COUNTER ATTACKS

MOSCOW, Oct. 15: The supplement to tonight's Soviet communique said Soviet troops had reached the Riga-Mitau Railway on the whole of its length. North-east of Bistrita, in north Transylvania, Soviet Forces had crossed the rivers Ilvea and Nadsomos.

COUNTER ATTACKS REPELLED

The supplement adds south and south-east of Belgrade, the Germans launched relentless counter-attacks in an attempt to maintain their positions but they were all repelled with heavy losses. Soviet tanks and infantry, together with units of the Yugoslav National Liberation Army, forged ahead and occupied the village of Kumodrad, situated just under two miles from Belgrade."

GERMAN SHIPS SUNK

The supplement also said "Ships of the Red Banner Baltic Fleet sank a German transport in the Baltic Sea. The air arm torpedoed and sank three enemy transports of 16,000 tons as well as other smaller vessels."—Reuter.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN BELGRADE STREETS

Town Of Nish Completely Encircled

LONDON, Oct. 15.

The Free Yugoslav Radio today quoted Marshal Tito's 'communique' as reporting that fierce fighting is going on in the streets of Belgrade.

The 'communique' also confirmed the Bulgarian report that Yugoslav units in conjunction with Red Army forces have completely encircled the town of Nish and now "are engaged in completing" the destruction of the German garrison.—Reuter.

BULGARIAN DELEGATION FOR MOSCOW

LONDON, Oct. 15: The Ankara radio quoted a "Bulgarian communique" as stating that a Bulgarian armistice delegation is going to Moscow on the invitation of the Governments of Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union to conclude armistice.

THE 'Bombay Chronicle' wishes HAPPY DIWALI TO Its Hindu Readers

Manila Raided

LONDON, Oct. 15: The Japanese News Agency said today that Manila, the capital of the Philippines was raided early today by 60 carrier-borne aircraft, including fighters.—Reuter.

FORMOSA BOMBED AGAIN

LONDON, Oct. 10: The German News Agency today quoted a Tokyo report saying that 450 Allied bombers this morning launched another attack on the island of Formosa.—Reuter.

"BREAK AWAY FROM CHURCHILL'S IMPERIAL DESIGNS"

Senator's Call To America

WHITEHALL DEAL TO PHILLIPS AND "SEVERE PRESS CENSORSHIP" RECALLED

WASHINGTON, October 15.

"It is time for America to break away from the Imperial designs of Mr. Churchill and the Soviet drive for power of M. Stalin", writes Senator Robert M. Laolette (junior) of Wisconsin in the current issue of "The Progressive".

Calling on President Roosevelt and Mr. Dewey, to put an end to "the conspiracy of silence on vital issues of American Foreign Policy", the Senator in a signed editorial declares: "In India we are being blamed with the Soviets—all because we meekly acquiesced in the nationalistic plans of our aggressive associates in the war. In spite of all talk about 'co-operation' in a world organisation, the Soviets have made it clear that we are not to 'interfere' with what they regard as dominantly Russian problems in Europe. The British have made it just as clear that we are not to 'meddle' in the affairs of their Empire. When we offered our good offices to help mediat in the Russo-Polish dispute, we were told in diplomatic language to mind our own business.

"DEAL TO PHILLIPS"

When our envoy to India reported the urgent need for a more decent British attitude towards India, the British not only clamped down severe censorship but forced the removal of that man, Mr. William Phillips, from the post to which he had only latterly been appointed in France."—Reuter.

MIKOLAJCZYK-EDEN TALK

MOSCOW, Oct. 15: The Polish Prime Minister, M. Mikolajczyk, the Polish Foreign Minister Romer and Mr. Eden conferred for more than three hours late last night.—Reuter.

NOTICE TO READERS

Wednesday being Hindu New Year day, the office of the "Bombay Chronicle" will remain closed. There will, therefore, be no issue of the "Chronicle" on Thursday.

HITLER'S PLAN OF RESISTANCE

STOCKHOLM:

The Swedish Press said that about 45,000 workers are fortifying Hitler's Berchtesgaden retreat and blasting can be heard as far as Salzburg, 20 miles away. One paper said Hitler and his followers "want to assure themselves a refuge in this impenetrable mountain area, where they will be able to retire for years in a labyrinth of underground corridors."—U.S.O.W.I.

CALCUTTA, Oct. 15: Dr. B. C. Roy, President of the Bengal Medical Relief Co-ordination Committee, has received Rs. 13,000 from the Indian Famine Relief Society, London, through Mr. N. M. Joshi.—U. P.

SIND PENTANGULAR FINAL

MUSLIMS KNOCK UP TALL SCORE OF 382

KARACHI, Oct 15: Missed catches by the Europeans enabled the Muslims to pile up a total of 382 in their first innings when the final of the Sind Pentangular Cricket Tournament commenced this morning before a large holiday crowd.

At lunch, the Muslims had made 137 for three, and at tea-time 292 for eight, and were all out for 382, Abdullah Khan knocking up 101 (unbeaten).

The Europeans collected four runs without loss in the last five minutes' play for the day. The match will be resumed to-morrow morning.

Scores:—

THE MUSLIMS

Ibrahim Vazir, c Christianson, b Brooks 5; Abdul Rahim, b Brooks 36; Abbas Khan, c Simpson, b Batell 35; Qamardin, c and b Batell 82; Daud Khan, b Batell 38; Inayat Khan, c Christianson, b Paulin 1; Abdullah Khan, (not out) 101; Fazal Lakda, c and b Batell 9; Hyderali, c Brooks, b Egnall 31; Issa Khan, c Hemingway, b Paulin 17; Badruddin, (hit wkt.), b Batel 7; Extras 20. Total 382.

GANDHIJI MEETS SYED MAHMUD

WARDHA, Oct. 15: Owing to indisposition Dr. Syed Mahmud could not to go Sewagram to see Mahatma Gandhi. Mahatma Gandhi came from Sewagram yesterday afternoon and saw Dr. Mahmud.—A. P.

TWO-HOUR TALK.

WARDHAGANJ, Oct. 15: Mahatma Gandhi, accompanied by Mr. Pyarelal, Khurshid Ben and Dr. Sushila Nayar, drove to Wardha from Sevagram yesterday afternoon to see Dr. Syed Mahmud, and left for Sevagram at 6-30 p.m. Gandhiji talked with Dr. Mahmud for about two hours. Approached by pressmen Dr. Mahmud refused to say anything about their talks.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

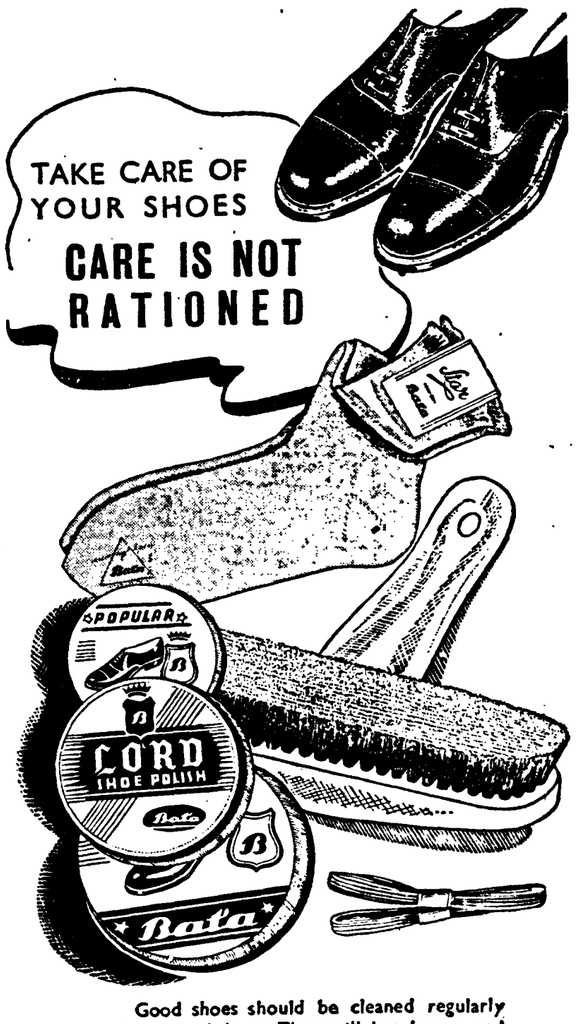
HUNGARY ASKS FOR ARMISTICE

LONDON, Oct. 15.—The Budapest Radio broadcast an Order of the Day announcing that Hungary has asked for an Armistice. The order was signed by Admiral Horthy, the Hungarian Regent and Commander-in-Chief.

After the order had been broadcast the announcer added: "We draw attention to the fact that the Order does not mean that Hungarian troops have ceased or will cease fighting. The fight for the time being goes on with undiminished vigour.—Reuter.

ALLIED AIRFIELDS IN ATHENS AND PELOPONNESE

Allied H. Q. in Mediterranean (Sunday): The R. A. F. is today operating at one of the Athens airfields. Others already have been established in Peloponnese. Megara airfield, twenty-eight miles west of Athens is also in British hands.—Reuter.



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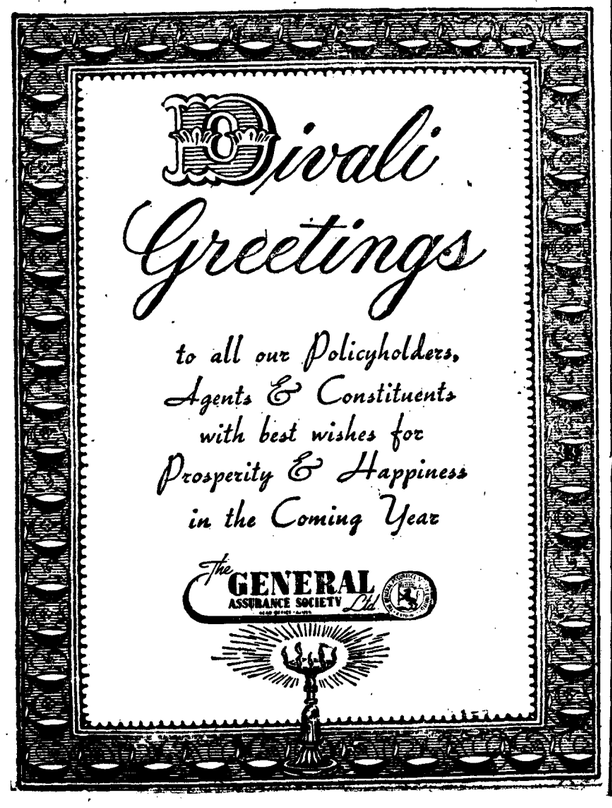
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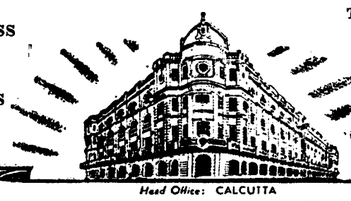

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WAR JOBS AT FANCY SALARIES

Delhi Experiences Tremendous Boom In War Contracts

Huge profits made by Government contractors, merchants and the industry and the fat war-time salaries of Government servants in the Imperial capital during the five years of war are reflected in the increase in income-tax receipts in the Delhi province, writes the City Reporter of the "Hindustan Times." Inquiries in official circles reveal that Delhi province (which for the purposes of income-tax practically means the Delhi Urban area), has paid rupees 8 1/2 crores as income-tax, super-tax, sur-charge and the Excess Profits Tax from April and 1939 to March 1944.

The net receipts of income-tax in the Delhi province in 1938-39 were only Rs. 26 1/2 lakhs. The maximum receipts were in 1943-4', when the Government collected about Rs. 4 crores, which is about 15 times of the pre-war receipts of income-tax.

The Imperial capital has attracted contractors and business men from all parts of the country and a large number of business and industrial houses throughout the country have opened their offices in Delhi. The Central P.W.D.'s budget used to be hardly 50 or 60 lakhs before the war and it rose to about 60 crores in the year 1942-43, when a large number of aerodromes were constructed. The P. W. D. contractors in Delhi and New Delhi have taken the fullest advantage of this windfall.

I am informed that the highest amount of income-tax paid in Delhi by any individual was by a Government contractor who paid about Rs. 22 lakhs last year. He had executed works amounting to over a crore of rupees for the Government.

The income-tax receipts, however, give only part of the account of war-time inflation. The huge profits made by the merchants in the black-market are not taken into account. Nor, the authorities can take into account the fortunes made by some Government officials in the Supply, P. W. D., Civil Supplies, Railway and some temporary departments.

Added to this is the glut of war jobs at fancy salaries. All Government offices have been expanding all the war years at a tremendous rate.

The number of those drawing four-figure salaries has grown enormously. For example, before the war the Viceroy was the only person in Delhi apart from one other assessee which is an industrial concern who was assessed for an income of over rupees one lakh a year. Now there are half a dozen officers (mostly so-called foreign experts) who are getting salaries of about rupees one lakh a year—that is more than what executive councillors get.

Here is an over-all picture of the Income-tax receipts during the last 5 years:—

Year	net Receipts
1939-40	46 1/2 lakhs
1940-41	51 lakhs
1942-42	149 lakhs
1942-43	174 lakhs.
1943-44	400 lakhs.

"Hindustan Times."

Arabic Made Easy

The Manager, Idara Talimat-e-Islam, 38, Aminabad Park, Lucknow, writes:—

"Every Muslim must know Arabic to understand and appreciate Al-Quran. Idara Talimat-e-Islam will help you to learn the language by means of a few introductory lessons each of which will take less than an hour, after which the Quran is started as a text book. Ask for a trial for home study in your leisure hours. The service is absolutely free to every one without distinction."

MADRAS, Oct. 15.—Dr. G. S. Arundale, President of the Theosophical Society, and Shrimati Rukmini Devi, President of the Kalakshetra, will leave Madras on October 19 to visit Hyderabad (Dn.), Secunderabad, Bombay, Indore, Karachi Hyderabad (Sind), Delhi, Lucknow and Benares.—United Press.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Believing too much in Beverley Nichols, who said something about Parsis being the most promising in journalism in India, hush-hush conferences are being held to make detailed plans about a new paper, for which, strange as it may seem, newsprint or art paper has already been found by the Paper Controller. You can work almost anything in extending your quota, if you can convince the right people in Delhi (or is it Simla?) that you are interested in post-war reconstruction. This also as a friendly tip to friend, Norman Hamilton, who wondered how EVE IN INDIA was sanctioned by the authorities. But for the new paper which I am speaking of, we are going to have Parsi finance and at least two bright young things from the Parsi community—Miss Babs Talyakhan and Mr. S. A. Sabavala. Just in case these two young people should make no mistakes, fiery editor Zabak, is also to have a hand in it. Everything is going to be sensational, streamlined, youth-on-the-march, Zabakese, not to mention an occasional Tientsin "Forgotten Woman" (vide friend Zabak's latest story in SOUND Divali issue)—book-reviews by specialists in propaganda and war-reporting, nothing cheap like Hollywood stars' pictures on the front page; only silhouettes of well-known people. But where does all this paper come from, friend Norman Hamilton will want to know. I don't know, so I will wait for and look forward to my first edition of TODAY, which is the proposed name of the paper. You better register now as a subscriber. (I acquit the Vice-Chancellor of having given me the above information).—Phrase borrowed from "BLITZ."

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Another thing I must get off my chest: Said KAY of "The Sporting Times" last week about a certain "hat (?)" seen at the Taj at lunch: "She was wearing a flippantly feminine hat, which if you had analysed was nothing but a lace d'oyley stiffly starched on a piece of stiff canvas." Frankly when I saw it I thought an absentminded waiter had put a folded napkin on an equally absentminded lady's head.

Trial Before Court Martial

Sensational Allegations Of Bribery

NEW DELHI, Oct. 13.

When the trial of Major Narindar Singh was resumed before the Court martial today, Bhagwan Singh, approver, was cross-examined for over two hours.

Replying to questions put by Mr. B. B. Tawakley, Defence Counsel, witness said that when he started "selling transfers and postings" of military officers, he realised it was a wrong act. He did it for Major Dunnette and for his own personal gain. He began doing this work at the end of 1942, and before that, he had been leading an honest life.

Witness further stated that he had two wives. The first one he married in 1907 and the second in 1937. He could tell neither the dates nor months of his marriages.

He had known Kehar Singh since 1920. He did not appoint him as his agent. He admitted that Kehar Singh brought to him about a dozen cases for transfers and postings, and he could tell the names of the persons concerned.

When the Defence Counsel asked the names of such officers, the Military Prosecutor objected to the question on the ground that it was contrary to public policy. The court upheld the objection.

Further Cross-examined, witness said that he could not tell how much money Kehar Singh earned by introducing military officers to him. In the case of the accused Kehar Singh received nothing nor did he ask for any. In the remaining eleven cases, Kehar Singh received rewards for his services and witness also took his share. Witness did not take any share in Major Narindar Singh's affair.

Witness replying to further questions said that Major Dunnette was authorised to make all transfers and postings up to the rank of Major. In his opinion, the transfer of an officer from M. T. Group to the Supply Unit was unusual. He stated that all records of the services of the R.I.A.S.C. were kept in Simla and not in his office.

Witness said that he was arrested on January 28, 1944. Since his arrest, Inspector Sita Ram of the C.I.D. had come to him about a dozen times. He did not keep any record of either Sita Ram's or Major Narindar Singh's visits. In his statement, he gave approximate dates and months of the accused's visits. Witness said that he remembered the visits of the accused because he offered him money and the Police Inspector did not. The whole of his statement to the Police Inspector was made from memory.

The next witness, Kehar Singh of the Q.M.G.'s. Branch, said that he knew Major Narindar Singh. He also knew his brother captain Amar Singh, Military Estates Officer. He said that he introduced the accused to Bhagwan Singh.

Cross-examined, witness said that he had not been acting as agent for Bhagwan Singh in bribery cases. He had taken fourteen to fifteen of his friends to Bhagwan Singh who paid him money to achieve their objects. He admitted having taken money in all cases except five. He was not paid anything in the case of Major Narindar Singh, and he never made a demand for it. In other cases money was paid to him by Bhagwan Singh voluntarily. He maintained that he was not acting as agent to Bhagwan Singh. He admitted having obtained Rs. 1,200 to Rs. 1,500 as his share in all the cases.

Further hearing was adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

A. R. P. CAUTION TO BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Oct. 15.

The threat of air raids has by no means disappeared and private individuals would be well advised not to demolish the baffle walls, says a Press Note issued by the Bengal Government.—United Press.

College For Ratnagiri

At a meeting recently held of prominent citizens at Ratnagiri, it was decided to make a demand in the establishment of a College there and strenuous efforts, it is understood, are being made in this direction. At a time when the number of students in secondary schools is rapidly increasing everywhere, students find it very difficult to secure admission in colleges after passing Matriculation examination; and it becomes all the more difficult for students from a far off place like Ratnagiri district to get admission in colleges either in Bombay or Poona. Besides due to the present war conditions it has become very difficult for students to get accommodation either in Bombay or Poona where the cost of living has tremendously gone up. The number of students seeking admission to colleges is day by day increasing and with a view to meeting this ever-increasing demand, it has become absolutely necessary to establish a college at a central place in Konkan like Ratnagiri. Taking into consideration the various difficulties experienced by students in getting admission to colleges, the efforts that are being made by the public-spirited citizens of Ratnagiri deserve, no doubt, sympathetic consideration by Government. Although the present demand is for an Arts College, those interested in this scheme must make efforts to see that within a short time arrangements for scientific as well as commercial education are made through this college.

Bearish Trend In Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 12.

While enquiring about recent heavy bearish influence over the cotton market, it is gathered that the United States have prepared a plan by which export of about 125 lakh bales of cotton and a large stock of cotton manufactures at competitive price in world market is intended. Operators believe that this will make disastrous effect upon India.

On the other hand mills are not inclined to buy and hold stock of cotton as usual. At the same time mill consumption of Indian cotton shows continued fall which is of about 11.5 per cent during the month of July 1944, as compared with the corresponding month of 1943.

NEW DELHI: Two officers of the Food Department are working out effective ways to kill rats, which, it is estimated, eat away about a million tons of food grains every year and are therefore a serious problem connected with the Government of India's scheme for the storage of cereals. Some Provincial Governments are also worried over this problem; the Bombay Government for instance, has a scheme under which it has offered half an anna for every rat killed.

'CHERAG' TO BE STAGED ON NEW YEAR DAY

Among the very few dramas that are to be staged in the city on Diwali holidays, the one that is looked forward to eagerly by theatre fans is the Gujerati play "Cherag", written by the young Parsi playwright Mr. Dorab R. Mehta, a journalist. It has been acclaimed as a very successful effort by Mr. Mehta, and is to be restaged next Wednesday—the Hindu New Year Day, at the Bailwala's Grand Theatre, Tardev when selected artists of the Bailwala Dramatics and Khatau Altred Theatricals will combine to put it on boards. In the tragic part Moonibai will lead stars like Poonkhanavala, F. Daruwala, H. Karani, G. Sabir, Chhanalal; while the comic section will be equally delightfully served by comedians, Goria, Tata, Master Mapla Mulchand, Mustala and others. Dance scenes will be an added attraction. Lovers of art will have an opportunity to appreciate artistic efforts of Mr. Darabsha, (manager) in showing two charming and realistic scenes—a city dock and the B. G. Theatre itself.

U.S. INSTALLATIONS & BASES IN INDIA

Pressmen's Impressions Of Five Day Air Tour

NEW DELHI, Oct. 11

A five-day air tour of American installations and bases of production and supply in far-flung corners of India has given me and six other Indian newspaper men a bird's-eye view of the immense hitting power being built up for eventual use in the coming all-out Allied assault on Japan, writes an A.P.I. correspondent.

Of interest to us was not only the speed and maximum machanisation which dominated the whole set-up, but the human side of it, the extraordinary facility with which American technicians used or controlled a bewildering variety of gadgets.

What, for instance, did they think of the impact of American methods and machinery on the Indian scheme of things? They had had no time for mature thought on the question but their first reaction to it might be summed up as follows: "We feel we have done a good turn by training hundreds of Indians in modern American production and maintenance methods. It is for the future Indian industry to make the best possible use of them in India's interest. For our part, we are ready, if you want us and if you are prepared to pay us, to give what further help we can after the war.

AMERICAN-TRAINED TECHNICIANS

Some 20,000 Indians are employed by the air service command under which the American airplane and automobile depots in India function. The air transport command probably employs an equal number of Indians. Such a volume of American-trained technicians and workmen, combined with the 75,000 skilled personnel turned out so far by the Government of India's technical training scheme, forms part of the reserve of trained manpower which will exert its influence of India's post-war economy.

Calcutta, the last station on our list, is U. S. army base section 2. An unending flow of heavily laden ships brings to this base vital war materials from America's factories, while from several motor assembling and rebuilding shops and other installations in Calcutta, huge stocks of materials go to the fighting fronts.

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The religious association of the festival is somehow baffling for it is different provinces. In some province the worship of the Dark deity of power and strength occasions it. In some other provinces it is associated with the worship of Luxmi, the goddess of prosperity. In still other places it is practically devoid of any special mode of worship; the ceremonial part is all that is observed.

Another and perhaps the most significant, feature of this festival is that it is confined not merely to the Hindoos. To the Jains, too, it has its appeal because to them it is meant to commemorate the liberation attained by Mahavira, their liberated Saint and religious leader.

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FIRST STEP TO 'POLITICAL PROGRESS'

Kelkar's Plea For General Elections And Formation Of Ministries

MIRAJ, Oct. 15.

"Government can immediately Indianise the whole Executive Council and fully work out the convention of non-interference in the Council administration. Reservation, if necessary, may be claimed in respect of the Military Department on the ground that no Indians are available who are intimately acquainted with actual military administration," said Mr. N. C. Kelkar in an interview to the 'United Press' when the latter sought his opnion as to what Government should do immediately.

Continuing Mr. Kelkar said: "Further there is in my opinion, absolutely no objection to holding Provincial and Central Assembly elections, calling upon political parties to form ministries and also to proceed with the formation of a Constituent Assembly. This will show that Government is earnest about taking a step forward in political progress. When the presidential elections in America are being actually held and the Parliamentary elections in England promised to be held soon, it will be not at all inappropriate or impracticable to hold elections in India.

"The prospect of elections and formation of ministries will be taken by the people as some token of the realisation of Government's intentions towards India about a political settlement after war."

With regard to Mr. Churchill's reference to India in his recent speech Mr. Kelkar said that a direct reference by Mr. Churchill to the political situation would have been the right thing, if spoken honestly, though felt as unpleasant. But his present reference to India implied only veiled contempt for Indians and a negation of all hope of political progress.—United Press.

CONFEDERATION OF KATHIAWAR RLYS.?

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 14.

It is learnt that a plan of confederation of Kathiawar Railways is being worked out in pursuance of the Government scheme of state control on Indian Railways.

THE BOMBAY SARVAJANIN KALI PUJA

THE BENGALI RESIDENTS of Bombay will celebrate KALI PUJA on the 16th October at Mr. S. G. Keni's Plot No. 766, Parsi Colony, Road No. 1, Dadar. The function will commence from 8-30 p. m. All interested are cordially invited.

N. N. GUHA,
Hon. General Secretary.

SIKHS REJECT 'C. R.'-GANDHI FORMULA

Parliament Urged To Transfer Power To Indians

LAHORE, Oct. 15: The All-India Akali Conference today rejected the Rajaji-Gandhi formula, and asked the Sikhs to carry on ceaseless agitation against the scheme, until it is finally dropped.

The Conference asked the British Parlimaent to immediately transfer power to the Indian people and called upon the Government of India to forthwith release all political prisoners and detenus unconditionally. —A. P.

"The Sikh Panth is caught up in two storms. One is the atheism of the Communists and the other is the political storm from the side of Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah who are out to crush the Sikhs", said Master Tara Singh, unfurling the Akali flag last evening on the occasion of the All-India Akali Conference.

He appealed to the Sikhs to muster strong under their flag which is the symbol of the dignity and self-sacrifice of the Panth.

In the course of his presidential address Jathedar Pritam Singh said: "We are confronted firstly with the Communists who have started crusade against God, religion and Sikhism. Their programme is to disintegrate the Sikhs. They follow the Red Star and are with Britain only because the British are today Russia's Allies. Our second obstacle is Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Jinnah and their followers. Gandhiji accepted the principles of Pakistan and the Muslims are naturally in favour of it. Our real objection is against the establishment of Pakistan. We do not want to be slaves either of the Hindus or of the Muslims. We are for united India. If Pakistan is to come and the Hindus and Muslims agree to it, we cannot prevent it. Our demand is that we should have the right according to our property, importance and tradition."

Nearly 20,000 Sikhs from all parts of the Province attended the Conference.—United Press

TODAY ON RADIO

MONDAY, Oct. 16.
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Highride: 12-30, 24-58.
Lowtide: 6-12, 18-35.
Municipal Corporation at 2 p.m.

To-day's Engagements

UNITED GOWD SARASWAT BRAHMAN PARISHAD: Annual meeting to-day (Monday), at 7 p.m., at the Saraswat Brahman Samaj, Girgaon.

KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION: To-day (Monday), at 10 p.m.: Dramatic scenes in Marathi and Kannada by Saraswati Amateurs.

MAZDAZNAN YOUTH MOVEMENT SCIENCE EVENING: Youths will speak on the interesting topics of Science at Mazdaznan Temple Hall, opp. Churchgate Station, to-day, at 6-15 p.m.

"DAYANAND NIRVAN DAY": There will be "Dayanand Nirvan Day" celebration in the Arya Samaj, Fort, at 9-30 a.m., to-morrow (Tuesday), when lectures will be delivered by learned men.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: Public meeting with cinema programme at Kermani Market, Arthur Road, to-day (Monday), at 8 p.m. Messrs. Lal Din Asi Nizami, A. R. Natiq and B. R. Kadrekar will speak on "National Savings Certificate Scheme."

GANDHARVA SANGEET MANDAL: A Variety Concert consisting of vocal music by Miss Seeta Mavinkurve, dance by Miss Damayanti Joshi and Sitar solo by Vilayat Khan of Delhi, to-day (Monday), at 10 p.m. (S. T.), at Laxmi Baug, New Bhatwadi, Girgaon.

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The B. B. & C. I. Rly. have put up notices at the Suburban Stations that if booking clerks refuse to give change for amount tendered for purchase of tickets a complaint should be lodged immediately with the Station Master.

BHAI PARMANAND BIRTHDAY: Bombay Provincial Hindu Students Federation celebrated the Birthday of Bhai Parmanandji on Sunday and passed a resolution offering its congratulations and felicitations.

RETAIL COAL MERCHANTS' ASSN.: A meeting of the retail coal merchants in "G" Ward was held under the presidentship of Ibrahim Master. It was resolved to form an association in order to safeguard the interests of both the retail coal merchants and the consumers.

THE NAWAB SALAR JUNG CRICKET TOURNAMENT is open to Muslim teams of Bombay Presidency and will be held in December 1944, January 1945. The last date for sending the entries is 31st October 1944. Copies of the Rules and Regulations and entry forms can be obtained from:—

The Jt. Hon. Secretaries, Nawab Salar Jung Circket Tournament, Khorshed Building, 14; Wylie Road, Bombay No. 11.

SPECIAL DIWALI A. I. R. PROGRAMMES: To celebrate Diwali, A. I. R., Bombay will broadcast varied programmes during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Outstanding items of interest to-day will be vocal music by Sangit Martanda Narayan Buwa Thite, 'Jyoti' a musical feature and first part of Kulavadhu, a Marathi play written and produced by M. G.

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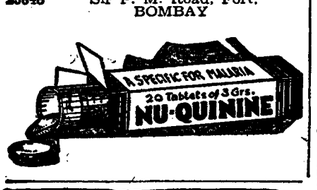

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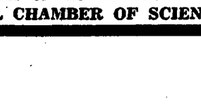

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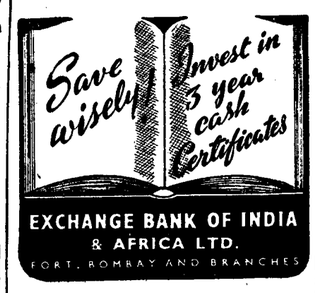

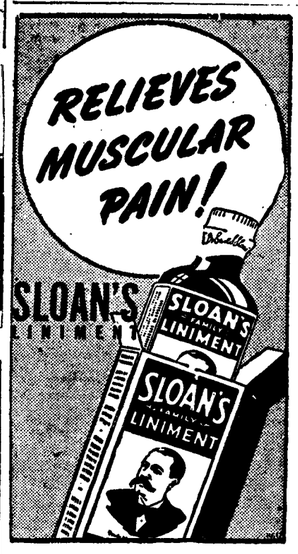

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On Wednesday listeners should not miss the third and last part of Kulavadhu, Payal Baje, a duet between Vinodini Desai and P. S. Dixit and Marathi Powadas by P. D. Khadilkar.

WARD RATIONING OFFICES: All Ward Rationing Offices in Bombay City and the B. S. District will remain closed on Tuesday (Oct. 17) and Wednesday (Oct. 18) on account of Diwali holidays. All Government Grain Shops and the godowns at Delisle Road will remain closed on Wednesday (Oct. 18). The sales and issue sections of the Civil Supply Godowns will remain closed on Monday (Oct. 16) and Wed. (Oct. 18).

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL PEONS: Municipal peons took a representation to Mr. S. K. Patil, the Congress Party's Leader, on Friday and requested him that the Congress Party should support their demand for increase in their salaries, dearness allowance, house rent allowance, leave benefits, etc. Mr. Patil along with Comrade Joglekar promised to try their best to consider the demands of the Municipal peons sympathetically and to improve their condition. Representatives Mr. Narayan Ramaji Rane, V. S. Khadpe, Bhagawangiri, Baburao B. More, Hasan Suleman, Y. P. Jamsandekar and others of all the peons in every department of the Municipality were present on the occasion.

B. B. C. I. RAILWAYMEN'S DEMANDS: A meeting of the workers of the B. B & C. I. Railway was held at the Elphinstone Maidan on Friday attended by more than one thousand workers. The meeting passdd two resolutions, one on the revision of scales of pay and the other regarding the recent increase in dearness allowance. The meeting condemned the action of the Railway Board in giving Rs. 2 only as increased in dearness allowance for those drawing above Rs. 40 which deprived majority of the railway workers of the benefit as their earnings fall below Rs. 40.

RAILWAYMEN DEMAND BREAD, BUT "BOARD GIVES STONE"

BOMBAY, Oct. 13.

"While the Railway workers demanded, by observing the All-India Day on 3rd inst., bread, i.e., 100 per cent. increase in the basic wages with Rs. 45 p.m. the Railway Board has come out with a stone by announcing an utterly unsatisfactory increment in D. A." observes the General Secretary of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Employees Union in a statement. He states that the increment is inadequate and that those drawing less than Rs. 40 p.m., the people more in need of an increment, are kept out. He appeals to all railwaymen to strengthen the All-India Railwaymen's Federation by joining the various unions, in securing substantial increase both in basic wages and D. A.

No Smoking On Vessels With Inflammable Goods

The Commissioner of Police, Bombay, has prohibited smoking and use of any fires or unprotected light on any boat or vessel carrying explosives, petrol, kerosene oil, or any inflammable goods while berthed at or within 100 yards of the Bombay Harbour wall or shore from Colaba Point to Kharup Creek. This order comes into effect from October 16.

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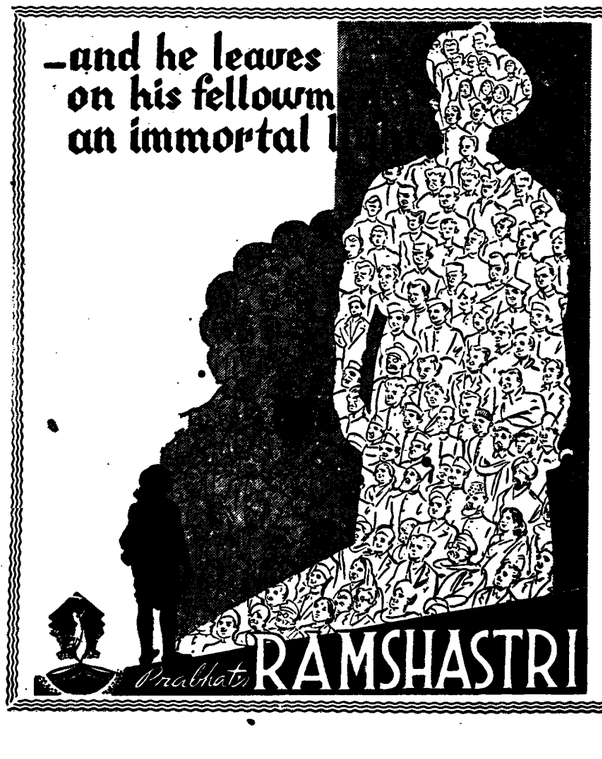

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KEROSENE RATIONING IN SUBURBS

APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOR CARDS

Residents of Bandra, Parle-Andheri, Kurla and Ghatkopar-Chembur areas, who stay in unelectrified tenements, are advised to apply for kerosene ration cards IMMEDIATELY.

Kerosene rationing for dark tenements is to be followed immediately by rationing for non-lighting purposes. NOBODY WILL THEN BE ABLE TO OBTAIN KEROSENE UNLESS HE HAS A KEROSENE CARD.

Residents of dark tenements in the above areas should, therefore, in their own interest, immediately apply for kerosene cards and thus ensure themselves of supplies when kerosene rationing is introduced in the near future.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Oct. 15: Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches as recorded at nine hours L. M. T. on 12/10/1944:—

Allahabad 87 62 0, BOMBAY 90 76 0.2, Calcutta 87 69 0, Cawnpore 88 58 0, Cuttack 93 78 0, Darjeeling 60 50 0, Delhi 89 57 0, Dehra Dun 82 61 0, Jacobabad 96 59 0, Karachi 87 72 0, Lahore 93 50 0, Lucknow 90 60 0, Madras 90 78 0, Nagpur 91 68 0, Patna 87 68 0, Peshawar 89 59 0, Shillong 73 48 0, Simla 69 50 0.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The worth of a State, in the long run, is the worth of the individuals composing it.

—J. S. Mill

The Bombay Chronicle

ANOTHER VINDICATION

The judgment delivered by the Full Bench of the Bombay High Court, consisting of Justices Divatia, Chagla and Lokur, on the Savarkar Biography case is one more vindication of the rights of the Press against assaults thereon by Government and as such the judgment deserves to be carefully studied by the public, interested in safeguarding those rights. The case arose out of the petition filed by the Lokasangraha Press, Poona, against the Bombay Government's order demanding a security of Rs. 2,000 in respect of the Marathi book "Savarkar Charitra" by S. L. Karandikar, printed at the press. The order was issued under the Press (Emergency Powers) Act of 1931 on the ground that several passages in the book tended to incite to or encourage the commission of, an offence involving violence under clause (a) of Section 4(1) of the Act or "directly or indirectly expressed approval or admiration of any such offence, or of any person, real or fictitious, who has committed or is alleged or represented to have committed any such offence" under clause (b) of the same Section. This Section, however, is subject to an explanation which lays down that no expression of approval or admiration made in an historical or literary work shall be deemed to be of the nature described in that sub-section unless it has the tendency described in clause (a). Their Lordships state: "If the book falls under this explanation, clause (b) would not apply and the only thing we have to see is whether it has the tendency described in clause (a)". The first question then to be decided is whether the book is an historical or literary work. On this point Their Lordships say:

"In our opinion, the book is a historical work and not merely a narrative of current events. While describing Savarkar's part in it the author has purported to give a historical description of the events mostly without expressing his own opinion on their merits. It does not appear to us to be a one-sided picture but the author has also narrated the opinions of some eminent persons living at that time who thought it to be a misguided and harmful movement. The book also seems to us to possess literary style and to be a contribution to Marathi literature. We are, therefore, of the opinion that it falls under explanation (1) to section 4, sub-section (1)."

The historical character of the book and its literary merits should be obvious to any unprejudiced reader.

The second question to be decided is whether the passages objected to tend to incite people to do such violent acts as may be punishable under the law. In deciding this question Their Lordships rightly hold, as various High Courts have done before, that "the passages considered objectionable by the Government should be read in the context of the whole book." Their Lordships also give due consideration to changed circumstances and Mr. Savarkar's reactions thereto. They say on this point: "The author of the book has also in his later chapters narrated how Savarkar changed his views and realised the futility of armed revolution. He has quoted in extenso from the memorial which Savarkar sent to the Government from the Andamans in September 1914 soon after the last war began. He says: "Even if in the hurry of the war nothing else can be done, should colonial self-government be granted to India and a clear majority of Indians be established in the Central Legislature, we and revolutionaries holding our views will halt and turn from our old path of armed resistance and give loyal and hearty support to England's case in the war . . . We promise that, should we be released now, we should not hesitate in joining the army with a view to defend our motherland." Their Lordships also take into consideration and quote the views of Mr. N. C. Kelkar, who writes in his introduction to the book: "Today Savarkar does not form secret associations, does not get weapons and arms—pistols—imported into India from Europe, does not try to justify assassination of any individual, and does not incite the army into disloyalty or mutiny against the British Government. On the contrary although the British rule is still there, he accepts it for the time being and advises Indian youth to join the army which is under the British High Command, in order to fight Germany and Japan, the enemies of the British." Taking all the relevant facts into consideration Their Lordships hold: "On the whole, after giving our careful consideration to the arguments on both sides, we are of the opinion that, although some of the passages fall under Clause (b) of sub-section (1) they are protected by explanation (1) and none of the passages read in their context and the book as a whole can be regarded as having a tendency to incite to or encourage any offence of murder or any cognizable offence involving violence." Their Lordships have accordingly set aside Government's order demanding a security and have allowed the application with costs. This is elementary justice but Government's sense of justice is evidently blunted by the numerous acts of injustice done recently and justified in the name of war.

Technically, the judgment does not apply to Government's action in proscribing the book. But now that a Full Bench of the High Court acquits the Lokasangraha Press of all the charges urged against the book, Government should in justice rescind the proscription order. It may be noted in this connection that the book was selected by the Bombay University for the Award of the Tarkhad Prize for 1943, as the best Marathi literary work of the year and that Hindi and English translations of the book are ready. These facts are an independent testimony to the great value of the book as contribution to literature. The Bombay University withheld the actual award of the Tarkhad Prize on the plea that the book was proscribed. We do not think the University was right in doing so. However, now that the legal objections against the book have been refuted by the High Court it behoves the University to award the prize without any further delay. We are not aware of any rules of the University justifying the withholding of the Prize.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Raids On Formosa

The battering that the Japanese received last week is perhaps the severest and certainly the most significant of the whole war. Even apart from such costly experiences as the repeated pounding of Balik Papan, their most valuable oil centre in the East Indies, the incessant air assaults by the United States Fleet and Super Fortresses on Formosa and the chain of islands running northward from Formosa to Southern Japan have dealt them an extremely heavy blow, indeed. They have lost nearly six hundred planes and two hundred ships apart from serious damage to vital and varied ground targets. And all for the loss on American side of less than sixty planes. It is a terrible blow in view of the limited possibilities of Jap production and resources and the continued weakening of Japanese strength. The figures represent a major military defeat.

Jap Fear

But it is much more than that. Two major attacks broke the back of Jap defences in the Philippines and drove away the Japanese fleet from its anchorages. The attack on Formosa looks as if history is going to repeat itself. But where was the Jap fleet and why did it not challenge the Americans when they hammered what are virtually the last defences outside the Jap homelands? This is the significant aspect of the new development. It proves beyond doubt America's overwhelming naval and air superiority even within Japan's basic defence area. Last week's sensational operations open up immediate prospects of important and unexpected developments. Even the Japanese fear them to be "forerunners of important and perhaps imminent events in our theatre of war." The blow on Formosa has aroused lively interest in the offensive against Japan by Admiral Nimitz and General MacArthur. Let us hope we are not disappointed.

The Air Offensive

Recently Allied Air Forces signalled a new stepping up in the aerial offensive against Germany by a 5,000 bomber raid on targets in the Reich. This has now been followed on Saturday by two simultaneous daylight assaults involving over a thousand bombers in each on Cologne and Duisberg. Details of the plastering of Cologne by the American Air Force are not yet available beyond the fact that results were good. But Duisberg which was the R.A.F.'s objective must have been nearly flattened. For it received more than four thousand tons of bombs—a record. Being an extremely important communications centre for the Nijmegen-Aachen sector of the western front, the devastation wrought to Duisberg must substantially help Field Marshal Montgomery and General Hodges. The long range possibilities are even more promising, now that the Americans and the R.A.F. can operate from bases in France.

Hopeful Prospects

Correspondents in Moscow have been expressing great hopes of a quick and satisfactory settlement of the Russo-Polish problem. We are inclined to share their optimism. Apart from other factors, we derive considerable encouragement from a statement made on Saturday night by M. Berut, the President of the Moscow sponsored Polish Committee of National Liberation. No meeting had yet taken place between the two Polish groups but M. Berut had met Marshal Stalin and Mr. Churchill. It was after this conference that M. Berut prophesied that "we will have unity on the basis of some kind of compromise". M. Berut made the reservation that he was speaking in his personal and unofficial capacity, but the very fact that he did speak of the possibility of a compromise is enough to justify hopes of the satisfactory settlement of a conflict that might well have serious international consequences, if left unresolved.

Wanted More Clarity

The Committee of Indian Congressmen in London states that an overwhelming majority of the Committee's supporters are Muslims and have pronounced against Pakistan in no uncertain terms. Definite figures would be more interesting and valuable. It should be possible to have a referendum there on a clearly explained scheme like the one offered by Gandhiji to Mr. Jinnah. In India also wherever the question comes up for consideration let the discussion turn on something definite, preferably Gandhiji's terms, and let there be a clear-cut decision thereon.

Criticism Of Scriptures

Dr. Ambedkar is being justly castigated for publicly describing the Vedas as containing "nothing else than tomfoolery." This use of such language about scriptures, held in reverence by millions, betrays intolerance and irresponsibility, which Government would ordinarily have not tolerated in any of its servants. But Dr. Ambedkar seems to enjoy a licence as he never misses an opportunity of abusing the Congress. However, every one must have the right to criticise in a restrained academic manner any book or to deny the claim of any book to revelation or even to deny the very possibility of revelation in the traditional sense of the word. Hyper-sensitiveness should not be encouraged among Indians in this respect. India needs to-day a very large dose of Rationalism.

Profiteering At Cinemas

During a cinema show yesterday I was amazed to see that the hawker who served tea there, demanded annas three for a glass of tea which was not even half full. I immediately brought this case of profiteering to the notice of the manager of the cinema who very kindly accompanied me to the stall-keeper and asked him not to charge more than two annas. Surely three annas is too much and this profiteering must be stopped.

Z. A. B.

A Query

From your paper I learn that the Bombay Corporation tests ghee and butter samples at the charge of Rs. 5. The intelligent housewife warmly supports Mr. Babubhai Chinai's resolution to reduce those charges from Rs. 5 to annas 4. But as it is not always possible to send samples outside for testing could anyone let me know whether there is any scientific instrument which is not prohibitively expensiaely by which a housewife can test at house whether her ghee, butter and milk are adulterated or not. A publication of this query and its answer will give invaluable information to many a woman who is racking her brains on this problem.

Mrs. K. M. RAINA.

50 p.c. Of Jobs For Muslims

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 15.

Appointments in Municipal Services are made on population basis but now, according to a resolution passed by the Municipal Standing Committee, 50 per cent of the appointments will go to Muslims, 25 per cent, to "Scheduled" castes and the remaining 25 per cents, caste Hindus, Sikhs and Parsis. The resolution will take effect if it is approved by the general meeting.

RANK AND FILE OF BRITISH LABOUR TO BACK INDIA

T. U. Conference At Blackpool To Challenge Basis Of Capitalism In Britain

LONDON, October 15.

The Trade Union Conference which opens at Blackpool tomorrow will, through a report issued by the General Council, challenge the existing basis of capitalism in Britain.

In presenting their "master plan for industry" they declare that "it is now abundantly clear that a majority of people in Britain are endangered by the system of unrestrained private enterprise", and go on to outline definite proposals for transfer to public ownership the key industries. The Labour Party's demand for control of banking is also underlined.

A couple of influential delegates to the Conference had one hour's discussion with the representative of the United Press of India before entraining for Blackpool.

They were undoubtedly perturbed about the political situation in Britain—the internal politics and the "stupid" attitude of the British ruling circles on India.

When the United Press representative interjected with the remark that Labour's attitude was no better, both the delegates assured him that the bureaucrats at the head of the Labour Party were no better than the Tories, but the rank and file were with the Indians in their aspirations for national freedom.

When the United Press representative asked them why the Indian problem, particularly from the Trade Union point of view, was not going to be discussed at the Conference one of them said: "It is disgraceful, especially with such appalling conditions now existing in India, that the question is not to be thrashed out. I only hope your people in India do not lump the whole lot of us together because we, ordinary people, wish India were free."—United Press.

Momin Leader's Challenge To Jinnah And League

Over One-Half Of Total Indian Muslim Population Repudiate Pakistan, Says A. Q. Ansari

HAZARIBAGH, Oct. 15.

"The Momins and a very large number of other functional class Muslims have nothing to do with Mr. Jinnah, the Muslim League and Pakistan. We, the Momins, are against the Pakistan of the Jinnah brand and stand for the complete independence of our Motherland. India", observes Mr. A. Qaiyum Ansari, Momin leader, in the course of a statement.

"I would have kept silent", continues Mr. Ansari, "on the unfortunate outcome of the Gandhi-Jinnah meeting for its failure has been so patent because of Mr. Jinnah's old and well-known adamantine tactics. But during his talks and in his correspondence with Gandhiji as also in course of his press statements issued thereafter, Mr. Jinnah has, as of old, thought it fit repeatedly to make the tall assertion that the Muslim League is the only authoritative and representative organisation of the Muslims in India, and that makes me speak

"It is a lie direct on the very face of it because the Momin Conference which represents the entire Momin community comprising about one-half of the total Muslim population of the country, along with several other influential Muslim organisations, has never accepted this false claim and has always successfully challenged this untrue and misleading assertion of Mr. Jinnah. We consider the breaking of the political and economic unity of India means the perpetuation of the foreign rule."

Giving his opinion on the Gandhi-Jinnah correspondence Mr. Ansari says: "It clearly transpires from the correspondence that it is very doubtful whether Mr. Jinnah himself wants Pakistan or believes in its possibility. Pakistan has, therefore, proved itself a hoax."—U. P.

RELEASE CONGRESS LEADERS

Muslim Majlis Secretary's Appeal To Viceroy

CALCUTTA, Oct. 15.

A sincere appeal to His Excellency the Viceroy to rise equal to the occasion and release Maulana Azad, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and other members of the Congress Working Committee not only on humanitarian grounds but for the sake of future good relations and mutual cooperation between the two great countries before it is too late, has been made by Khan Bahadur Shaikh Mohamed Jan, M. L. C. General Secretary, All India Muslim Majlis.

The Khan Bahadur says: "I welcome the release of Dr. Syed Mahmud, a distinguished member of the Congress Working Committee, and congratulate the Government of India on their wise decision though limited in application.

"It is really very painful to learn from no less a person than Dr. Mahmud himself that his former colleagues specially Maulana Azad and Pandit Nehru, always in good spirit in their present environments, were not pulling well physically inasmuch as Maulana Azad had lost 42 lbs. In view of the fact that Maulana Azad was never fat and robust, this deterioration must have told very seriously on the general condition of his health and naturally Mussalmans of India of all shades of opinion are gravely concerned over this sad news. They are anxious for an early complete recoupment of his present shattered health which is certainly not possible while in detention."—U. P.

INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

Disturbance Breaks Up Birmingham Convention

BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 15: A Disturbance which started over the question of who should preside, broke up the morning session of the annual Convention of the Indian National Congress planned in Birmingham to-day. The Chairman of the Committee of Indian Congressmen, Mr. P. D. Seal, was to have taken the chair, but for objections on the part of a number of delegates and the problem remained unsolved when the Conference adjourned for lunch.

The Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Amiyanath Bose, pointed out that owing to transport difficulties several delegates were unable to arrive until the afternoon session, and it was finally decided that a vote should be taken when all were assembled on who it was desired should preside. Numerous unsuccessful attempts were made during the morning to get the Conference started and speaker after speaker got up to present his view only to be cried down by opposition.—Reuter.

GANDHIJI ENSHRINES DEEPAVALI MESSAGE

(BY "KAYES")

Deepavali—the Festival of Lights—is the happiest day of the year for the Hindus. It is a hectic day of rejoicings. Colour and gaiety parade the streets; music and merriment splash the air; chatter and laughter echo in every home; the rows of twinkling lights in the evening present a grand spectacle of illumination. The young and the old, the illiterate and the intellectual, the high and the low—all join in the fun and frolics of the day.

The setting sun has no regret at least this day, for the Demon of Darkness hides his face in shame. His stealing even into the doorless hut of the lowliest is foiled. There is light. It burns undaunted. It is the flame of faith, a hope for the future.

Commemoration Of Eternal Triumph

To the Hindus this a holy day. Narakasura, the Demon King, overran the world; enslaved mankind; imprisoned the righteous; molested the innocent. It was a rule of ruthlessness and terror. Mankind prayed to Shri Krishna for redemption. The God of Bountiful Mercy, accompanied by one of his consorts, the Goddess of Earth, appeared before the demon, fought with him and killed him. The sigh of relief was universal; so also was the joy. In granting the prayer of the dying Shri Krishna ordained that this day be celebrated with great eclat in Narakasura's memory as a day of deliverance and happiness. Though the crackers are poor enough weapons to destroy the demon of Narakasura's might, the faith of generations is unshakeable, particularly that of the children.

Bereft of symbolism, Deepavali is the annual commemoration of the eternal triumph—the triumph of virtue over vice; of justice over tyranny; of freedom over slavery; and above all, of enlightenment over gloom.

A Holy Day For Jains Too

To the Jains too, Deepavali is alike holy; but in contrast to the laughter and fun elsewhere, in their homes would reign a quiet dignity and a calm spiritual atmosphere For it was on Deepavali Day that Mahavira, the luminous exponent of Ahimsa, attained final liberation. And the rows of oil lamps that radiate in the Jain homes are symbolic of Mahavira's transformation into a blaze of light.

Mahavira's was a great soul. He was an inspiration to the people of his day and left imperishable footprints on the sands of time. He gave humanity the fruit of above 45 years of penance and vast knowledge and wisdom. And his greatest legacy, which is eternal as it is ensobling, is the message of peace, an all-embracing human life, based on truth, non-violence, chastity, non-stealing and non-attachment, which alone form the foundations of an undying civilization.

Mahatma Lights A Candle

Today the thousands of the dainty little hands that light the wicks to the music of their bangles will go up in prayer to the Lord, the Guardian Angel, whose message is at last heartened by a war-weary world, thanks to that little old man of Sevagram—that "Micky Mouse of a Man" as Shrimati Sarojini Naidu once called him in a mood of loving irreverence.

Born and bred in the traditions of Vaishnavism and Jainism, Gandhiji has laid the foundation of a new civilization. His message of Khadi and Ahimsa may seem to be out of tune and outmoded in this modern, machine-ridden materialistic world. But the enlightened minds of the world hail him as the Saviour of Mankind. Khadi keeps the light of fire burning in thousands of cottages in India. His message of Non-violence, as Sir S. S. Radhakrishnan says, is "a ray of heavenly light let into a world of deep darkness." In taking his stand on absolute Truth, Peace and Non-violence, he has lit a candle which will not easily be extinguished. The light of it will have a far penetration in time and space.

A Day Of Prayer

Celebration of festivals should reflect the national idealogy; it should be in keeping with the conditions of the people. Real joy, the offshoot of peace, should pervade, but not tomfoolery or tamasha. Feasts there shall be, but gluttony or waste must be avoided.

Deepavali is essentially a day of prayer—prayer for deuverence and enlightenment. Its message is firmly enshrined in the teachings of Gandhiji. Truth, Ahimsa, love and service, Khadi and village upliftment—these alone are sovereign remedies for the ills that have fallen on our land. These alone are within the power of the down-trodden people; these alone will bring freedom quicker and confer greater bliss. In the words of the Mahatma, "every yard of Khadi you buy is one morsel of food given to the starving." It is also a symbol of enlightened nationalism. The people of means should offer sweetmeats and clothes to those who have not the wherewithal to buy them. It is not a mere charity, but a social duty, too. "Return with gladness good for evil done"—is the fitting vow for the nation to take on this sacred occasion. This gripping precept is the guiding principle, a passion of life, of Gandhiji.

India today is groping in utter darkness. A kind of putrefaction is eating into the very vitals of the national life. Poverty stalks the land in mad fury. Malignant forces have spread their tentacles over the affairs of men. A wave of unrest is brewing in the country. But no one need despair of the future, for, as Tagore has said, "the unconquerable spirit that creates has already been released; Mahatma Gandhi has shown us a way which, if we follow, shall not only save ourselves but may help other peoples also to save themselves".

Jinnah Road For Ahmedabad?

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 15.

It is learnt, Relief Road will be renamed Mahomed Ali Jinnah Road according to a resolution passed by the Standing Committee of the Municipal Board of management.

CHAMPION OF FREE PRESS

Marathi Journalists' Glowing Tribute To Horniman

The journalistic achievements of Mr. B. G. Horniman, Editor, "Bombay Sentinel", were eulogised at a reception given in his honour by the Bombay Marathi Journalists' Association, at Brahman Sabha Hall, Girgaum, on Sunday evening. Mr. S. S. Navare, editor of the "Daily Prabhat" and the president of the Association, presided. Welcoming Mr. Horniman on behalf of the Association, Mr. Navare narrated the impressions created on his mind by Mr Horniman as a journalist. He said:

"The outstanding feature of Mr Horniman's long career as a journalist has been his independence of thought and action. He has never tied himself to any part or personality. He has never allowed himself to be a mouthpiece of a leader or a political party however big or popular they might be. The annals of the short-lived "Indian National Herald", the "Bombay Chronicle" and the "Bombay Sentinel" will amply bear testimony to what I say. He has consistently been a selfless champion of cause of the oppressed and the aggrieved. If you have to ventilate any public grievance, go to Mr. Horniman. He will give you patient hearing, extend his helping hand, and use all the resources at his command to get that grievance redressed. This has been the public feeling about him. He is one of those who few journalists in the country who have raised the standard of Indian journalism and set up a very high tradition for new and junior journalists like us. Whenever the history of Indian journalism will be written, Mr. B. G. Horniman is sure to occupy a very high and prominent place in it. He is sure to be ranked among the first six or seven journalists."

Mr. T. V. Parwate recalled several pleasant incidents of the days of Mr. Horniman's popularity and referred to the important part he had played in the inauguration of the Home Rule League. He advised the budding journalists to take a leaf out of Mr. Horniman's life.

Babu Chitnis, editor of the "Chitra" described Horniman as an outstanding journalist of the country. He praised Mr. Horniman's independent judgment and observed that only by following such men as Horniman would India be able to evolve true journalism.

Mr. Ghate expressed the hope that Mr. Horniman would continue to fight for bettering the prospects of the working journalists.

CHAMPION OF FREE PRESS

Mr. Khadilkar, editor of the "Navakal", said that Horniman's enthusiasm for the national cause was as fresh to-day as it was when he first came to Bombay in 1913. Whether he criticized a leader or a party was immaterial when one considered the brave fights he put up against the bureaucracy, and as the champion of a free press.

Mr. Lele said that the effect of Horniman's writings often bore out the truth of the saying that pen was mightier than the sword. Mr. Lele also recalled how Horniman had outwitted the conveners of the meeting called for raising a memorial to the late Lord Willingdon when he was the Governor of Bombay. It was indeed a great occasion which he could not forget.

Mr. Padhye of "Dhanur Dhari" described how his reading of one of Mr. Horniman's articles had initiated him into journalistic career.

Mr. K. M. Tamankar of "Nav Shakti" suggested Jinnah Hall should be renamed after Mr. Horniman.

Mr. A H. Gadre observed that he failed to find any journalist of Mr. Horniman's guts and temperament

HORNIMAN'S REPLY

Replying, Mr. Horniman thanked the Marathi Journalists for the honour done to him. He was deeply touched by the kind words said of him by those who formed a large body of public opinion.

Proceeding Mr. Horniman narrated how he came to occupy the Editorial Chair of the "Bombay Chronicle" at the invitation of the late Sir Phirozshaw Mehta. He believed that destiny had a hand in all that he achieved later on.

Concluding, Mr. Horniman expressed his great satisfaction at the rapid strides which the Marathi Journalism had taken. The growth of nationalism and the future of the country depended more upon vernacular journalism than upon the English. To that extent, therefore, the Marathi journalists played an important part in shaping the destiny of the country.

Referring to the condition of the working journalists, Mr. Horniman pointed out that though every journalist deserved a decent living, yet monetary gain was not the be-all and end-all of a true journalistic career. A journalist had to hold before him the ideal of Service, and dedicate his life to the cause of suffering humanity. This was the spirit in which a journalist was expected to live and work.

PACIFIC RELATIONS CONFERENCE

Invitations For Indian Delegations

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 14.

Invitations I learn have been received by the Indian Institute of International Affairs and the Indian Institute of World Affairs to send two representatives each to the next session of the Pacific Relations Conference to be held in Washington in January next.

No representative is likely to be sent from Indian Institute of International Affairs primarily because, January and February are business months in India on account of the sessions of Legislatures.

Whether the Institute of World Affairs will be represented at the Conference is not yet known.

It will be recalled that it is largely due to India's delegation to the last Pacific Relations Conference that the Indian Institute of World Affairs has been organised.

The question of affiliation of one of two Indian Institutes will come up before the January session of the Pacific Relations Conference to be held in London in February next. It is doubtful if India will be represented at this Conference either.

A number of papers is likely to be sent for circulation amongst the members of both conferences item.

JODHPUR MUNICIPAL BOARD ELECTIONS

(From a Correspondent.)

JODHPUR, Oct. 13.

Mr. Mathura Dasji Mathur, President Marwar Lok Parishad, has issued the following statement on the coming Municipal elections: The Jodhpur Municipal Board Elections are to be held very recently. The nomination papers are to be submitted on 19th. and 20th inst. It is decided Lok Parishad must contest Municipal Elections. To decide nominations and other election purposes a committee of five persons has been formed. Candidates desiring to contest elections on Lok Parishad Ticket should inform Lok Parishad Municipal Election Office, before 16th inst.

TETE-A-TET

WITHOUT COMMENT.

LONDON, Oct. 14.

A single narrative containing 500 pages entitled "Port Arthur" published in Moscow clearly defines the Soviet's attitude towards Japan that eventually the Soviet is going to war against Japan.

"Pravda announcing the publication of the book states: "Port Arthur was Russia's most important port in Far East."

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Mr. Gelder believes that what is at the bottom of Britain's refusal to settle with India now is "fear."

We agree. But Mr. Gelder can then see for himself that his criticism of British statesmen is quite unfair. All that they intend by their resolute determination not to settle with India is to achieve Freedom From Fear.

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The Karachi Police is reported to have refused the Karachi City Muslim League permission to hold public meetings.

But the fear entertained in certain quarters is entirely groundless that it and when the Sind Ministry falls, Mr. Jinnah will order the observance of a "Deliverance Day."

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"This Government will have the sanction of the mass of the population of Pakistan and Government will function with the will and the sanction of the entire body of people in Pakistan, irrespective of caste, creed or colour."—Mr. M. A Jinnah.

We are rather dense, unfortunately. But what, in the name of the Muslim nation, is the Qaid-e-Azam talking about?

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Assam is also among the present provinces which constitute Pakistan, as Mr. Jinnah has after all defined it territorially.

But why not the Province of Delhi, too?

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After Nahas Pasha:

According to a Jerusalem report, the Transjordan Prime Minister has resigned, so has the Syrian Cabinet; and the Lebanese Cabinet, too, may follow suit.

Which is all rather confusing. Is Arab unity threatening to become a real success?

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In a special order of the Day, Marshal Stalin announces that the Red Army has captured Riga.

There is, however, no justification for the suggestion that the London "Times" is immediately sending a resident correspondent to Riga.

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Breaking his long silence, the obese Reichsmarshal Goering has just told Germans that "we fight for our very existence."

Which is really unfair of Providence, considering that the divine mission of the Nazis has been to fight against the very existence of others.

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"I understand your husband has taken up the violin."

"Yes, and he's doing fine with it. They've returned his oil-can from next door already."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Worry never accomplished anything worth while.

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Second thoughts are best in a case of love at first sight.

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Are you acquainted with any man who flatters his wife?

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The world has no love for the lover who loves only himself.

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A contented, willing worker is worth 50 per cent more than the dissatisfied kind.

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Whenever a girl begins to lecture a young man on economy she is preparing to launch her bark on the sea of matrimony.

FOODGRAINS FOR INDIA

40,000 Tons Still To Be Imported

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Oct. 14.

H. M. Government has imported 9,60,000 tons of foodgrains into India during the year.

It is expected the remaining 40,000 tons will be imported before Nov. 15 when the whole question will be reconsidered by H. M. Government. It will have the advice of Sir Henry French who has been in India.

Under Cotton Cloth and Yarn Control Order, Government of India have fixed maximum prices, wholesale and retail at which cloth or yarn imported from outside India may be sold and marking to be made thereon and time and manner of making them.

Under the order importer's price of cloth shall be its landed cost plus ten per cent and dealer's price shall be importer's price increased by 20 per cent.

In case of yarn, importer will be allowed ten per cent over landed cost and dealer 15 per cent over importer's price.

AHMEDABAD CONGRESS HOUSE

CLAIMANTS TO PROPERTIES.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 15.

Several citizens, including Seth Ambalal Sarabhai have sent applications to the District Magistrate, claiming the ownership of some of the properties lying in the premises of the Congress House (now under Government possession) and asking for returns of the same.

It will be recalled, that during 1942 the Congress House was seized by the Government and recently the District Magistrate had asked for applications for claims of properties lying therein.

Srivastava Explains

U. P. CONGRESSMEN'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS GANDHI-JINNAH PARLEYS

LUCKNOW, Oct. 14

Mr. Gopinath Srivastava, whose resolution on the endorsement of the detailed offer made by Gandhiji to Mr. Jinnah was rejected at the Cawnpore meeting of the Representative Assembly of U.P., in an interview said that the debate brought forth to the surface the reactions of U. P. Congressmen on the Gandhi-Jinnah negotiations and their published correspondence, which it was well to take note of.

"All those who opposed the resolution, including Babu Purshottam Das Tandon" he added, "made it clear in the most unequivocal terms that their attitude would have been different, if a settlement had been arrived at on those terms, and I have not a moment's hesitation in stating that the terms will have U. P. Congressmen's fullest endorsement if Mr. Jinnah's approach is more reasonable. As one intensely interested and having devoted the best part of the last two years in popularising the fundamentals of the C. R. formula, I must state plainly that in my opinion, acceptance of Mr. Jinnah's unreasonable stand, particularly in the matter of plebiscite, will be a repudiation of the faith that sustains them in their fight for freedom, even at a time when the immediate future looks none too bright, and I fervently hope Muslim friends will give the matter their dispassionate consideration."—A. P.

AHMEDABAD BAN ON TEA SALES

Indian Merchants To Test Govt. Order

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 14.

It is reliably understood that wholesale tea Merchants have decided to take legal steps against Government Order placing ban on sale of tea within forty miles area, and in this connection, they have sought the advice of Mr. K. F. Nariman.

This is an echo of the great dissatisfaction prevailing among wholesale tea merchants. They complain that foreign companies are getting more concessions from Government than Indian concerns.

Be Careful While Writing To Wives In England

CALCUTTA, Oct. 14.

For writing a letter to his wife in England which is alleged to contain "Prejudicial reports likely to assist the enemy", Mr. Edwin Guthrie of Calcutta was ordered by the Chief Presidency Magistrate today to pay a fine of Rs. 1.000 in default to undergo simple imprisonment for one month.—A. P

Art Exhibition In Delhi

DELHI, October 11.

There will be held an Exhibition of paintings, drawings and sculpture by two artists of Santiniketan, Sjt. Binode Behari Mukherjee and Sjt. Ram Kinker Bail, at Massey Hall, Y. M. C. A. from Wednesday the 18th inst. to 21st. inst. Sir Edward Benthall will open the Exhibition.

INDIANS CAN'T BE HOODWINKED

Transvaal Protest Against Segregation

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 14: The Nationalist group of the Transvaal Indian Congress has issued a statement today protesting against the remarks of the Commissioner for Immigration and Asiatic Affairs that 'Asiatics will not have segregation but we have to achieve the same end by laying out land for their occupation and not calling it segregation."

The statement says Indian people cannot be hoodwinked. They are fully alive to the new menace to their self-respect and vital existence and protest strongly against the camouflaged attempt by Government to foist on Indians a policy involving their ruination.

"Ghettoes under any name are repugnant to the Indians' sense of self-respect and national honour. The great sacrifices of Indian, Chinese and other Asiatic soldiers on the battlefields of Africa, Europe and Asia in the cause of the United Nations will be in vain if the Asiatics are not given their rightful and equal status in the comity of nations."—Reuter.

SURAT MAY NOT GET ENOUGH YARN

Sir Akbar's Inability To Give Assurance

SURAT, Oct. 14.

Sir Akbar Hydari, Secretary, Department of Industries and Civil Supplies, Government of India, at a reception given in his honour by the Surat Chamber of Commerce, said: "I am aware that the weaving industry of this city suffered a big due to the irregularity of the distribution of yarn. But I am glad that we have now been able to evolve a plan of distributing yarn equitably on a provincial bases.

He was not able to say that the Government would be able to supply all the yarn required for the weaving industry but assured the province of an equitable quota of yarn.

In reply to a question Sir Akbar Hydari admitted the need of Governmental assistance for the purpose of developing new industries and for the purpose of preventing the destruction of established industries. He stated "several members of the Governor-General's Council have assured us that they mean to develop the country's industries and therefore the inference is obvious. But it cannot be definitely said whether this assistance would be in the form of a protective tariff or something else."

Sir Akbar will be leaving for Delhi to-night by the Frontier Mail.—A.P.

R. N. Basu Explains

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 14.

Mr. R. N. Basu, Chairman, Municipal Board, and the Leader of the Municipal Congress Party has sent his resignation to the District Magistrate, in pursuance of the mandate of the Assembly of the Congressmen of U. P. asking him and other Congress members of the Municipal Board to resign.

At a meeting of the Municipal Congress Party held this morning at the residence of the Chairman, the following statement was issued to the press:—

"The meeting of the Municipal Congress party wants to place on record that it feels greatly aggrieved by the arbitrary manner in which the decision against its members was taken by the assembly of representative Congressmen of U. P. without even making any enquiry or without asking for any explanation from the members or from the Leader of the Party. The members feel that they had good reasons for adopting the course which they did, and the representative assembly should have heard them and taken into consideration their point of view in the matter before arriving at any decision. The members, as desciplined Congressmen, have already tendered their resignations, but request the President of the Assembly of the Representative Congressmen of U. P. to hold an enquiry into the matter and to communicate the result of Mahatmaji."—A. P.

RANGA'S ADJOURNMENT ON DETENUS ISSUE

NEW DELHI, Oct. 14: Prof. N. G. Ranga, M. L. A. (Central), has given notice of an adjournment motion to be discussed in the Autumn session of the Central Assembly.

The motion seeks to discuss that "the continued detention of a large number of Indian patriots even after an emergency alleged to have arisen after the passing of the 1942 August resolution by the A. I. C. C. has definitely ceased to exist ever since Gandhiji assured the nation that 1944 is not 1942 and that there could be no civil disobdience in 1944 resolution."—U. P.

PUBLIC OPINION MUST TELL

Dr. Katju On Gandhi-Jinnah Deadlock

JAIPUR, Oct. 12.

"I have now come to think that the less we talk of it the better. We are now in the throes of a crisis. Very many people are very sad at the breakdown. Personally I am also not very happy. But I must confess that I am sorry in a limited sense. My heart is not broken," said Dr. Kailasn Nath Katju, former Congress Minister of the United Provinces, dealing with what he called 'adjournment' of the Gandhi-Jinnah talks, in the course of a talk he gave before the members of the Athenaeum Club here last evening. He continued: "Uptil now we did not know where we stood. About Mr. Jinnah's demands we only heard big speeches and often the Press reporters were accused of wrong reporting. Now you have those demands summarized in a few carefully drafted letters with a solicitor's precision. We know what he wants and we also know how far Gandhiji will go and further than which he will not budge an inch. This is a definite advantage. They say there is an adjournment. What I feel about this is that leaders had enough of talking business, and now it is upto the people to understand the implications and digest the importance of the different issues involved and instruct and educate their leaders to come to a final solution of this matter."

After giving a short account of the Gandhi-Jinnah talks and correspondence and emphasizing the necessity for allowing the saner elements in our public life to have their influence exercised, Dr. Katju gave his personal feeling on the problem of partitioning India: "The drift of Indian history for the last 2,500 years has been towards the emergence of some sort of central authority. India can never remain content without a solid central government. If we now go for division, it is contrary to the drift of our national history." With mixed feelings he concluded: "Personally I am not very happy. I believe in some fate that pushes men onward, and may be it shall also force us out of this deadlock."

SHORTAGE OF GRAIN FEARED IN GUJARAT

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 14.

It is reliably learnt that the 'Karif' and 'rabi' yield this year together with the stocks is estimated at about two crore maunds for all Gujarat, whereas the requirements are roughly four crore maunds. In order to avoid the acute situation the Central Government must manage to provide the deficit.

Cement In Rice Bags

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 13.

Sensation has prevailed here as cement has been found in some bags of rice given to rationing shops. People are not satisfied with the grain some of which is found mixed with cement.

It is learnt that the Inquiry Committee appointed by the Collector has referred to the abnormal increase in vegetable prices.

MADRAS, Oct. 13.

The Mecca-Medina Central Relief Committee proposes to send one thousand tons of wheat for the relief of famine-stricken people of the holy cities. The estimated cost of sending this relief will come to three lakhs. Contributions are, however, received from sources in Madras.—O. P.

AMAZING FERTILITY OF INDIANS

Million Babies Will Be Born In South Africa Annually In Fifty Years

MARITZBURG, Oct. 14.—The Indian Judicial Commission met at Stanger this week when evidence was given by Dr. N. Haysom, Indian Medical Officer of Stanger, representing the Indian medical officers of Natal. Declaring that the greatest problem regarding Indians was their amazing fertility, he estimated that in another 50 years a million Indian babies would be born annually in South Africa. Dr. Haysom said that the Indians had deep prejudices against light and fresh air but education was proving a big factor in the improvement of their lives. The statement referred to the lowest type of Indian whose progress has been very slow. The condition of houses on the estates was gradually improving as a result of enforcement of law. The majority of dwellings provided in sugar estates were barracks which were unhealthy.—Reuter.

Nazi Journalist Shot At In Copenhagen

The German Overseas News Agency reported that Hubert Gilbert, Chief Editor of the German controlled Scandinavian Telegram Bureau was severely wounded by revolver shots in Copenhagen this morning. "A woman carrying a boquet came to his office door and as he came out to admit her three men fired their revolvers at him. He has been taken to hospital in a grave condition with five bullets in his body."—Reuter.

No Better Understanding In The Pacific

LISBON, Oct. 14.—The Luftwaffe plane which arrived from Berlin today (Saturday) after an interval of a fortnight took back with it three more Japanese diplomats stationed here. The continued depopulation of the Japanese Legation which now has but a skeleton staff hardly bears out the reports from other centres of a coming better understanding in the Pacific.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Talks With Press Association Chief About News Freedom

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13: Kent Cooper, executive director of the Associated Press of America, discussed world freedom of news with President Roosevelt. Cooper, who has been advocating placing news freedom provisions within the terms of the coming peace, told the press they discussed the need for unrestricted information. —U.S.O.W.I.

CALCUTTA.: More than 1,000 bales of cloth have either been surrendered by the dealers or frozen by the Government of Bengal under the emergency cloth distribution scheme, since September 14 last.

Raw Cotton Outlook

Messrs. Bruel & Co. state:—

Since last we reported on our Futures market, prices have moved erratically and on occasions sharply, particularly on Tuesday of this week when March after opening at Rs. 402-1/2 and touching Rs. 411, closed at Rs. 398-1/4. The decline was sufficient to induce some profit-taking, and price movements since Tuesday have been on a more modest scale, but there remains in evidence a complete lack of confidence in higher prices, and, with periodical bouts of profit-taking intervening, prices are expected to drift lower.

New crop transactions have been mainly confied to Sind N. T. Cotton, but a sale of Punjab (Multan) 289 F. for January delivery was reported yesterday at Rs. 500, and sales of Fine Jarilla for January delivery at Rs. 9 OFF the March Hedge contract. Sind N. T. for January delivery has been sold down to Rs. 66 ON March, which on the basis of Rs. 399 for March, is only Rs. 20 above Government's floor price. If these sales offer any indication of what conditions will be like in the mofussil markets when once the new crop begins to move, then the Farmers are going to have a thin time this season and we hope for their sake that Mills elsewhere than in Bombay will be more enterprising than their colleagues here.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Oct. 14.

October 22.08, December 21.83, January 21.76, Middling Spot 22.38.

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New York, Oct. 14.

October 22.04, December 21.86, January 21.76, Middling Spot 21.50.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Oct. 14.

T. T. London on:—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2, Madrid official 44.00, Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

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LONDON WHEAT.

London, Oct. 13.

Wheat Rozario (new crop) 30/3 Oct. Nov. quoted, Wheat Australian (bulk) 45 Oct.-Nov. quoted, Wheat Australian (bags) 48 Oct.-Nov. quoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Oct. 13.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £72-3/8, Consols 2-1/2 p c £79-1/2, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £104-3/8, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £104-3/4, Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £113-5/8, Victory Bonds 4 p c £112-7/8, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £11-1/2, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.) £89-1/2, National Bank of India £42.

Russia As Oil Exporter

Possible Postwar Moves In Iran

LONDON, Oct. 15: Soviet Russia is anxious to appear as an exporter of oil on the world markets after the war, according to a Special Correspondent in the London Sunday newspaper, the "Observer" today.

He refers to the Moscow announcement that the Russian Government has asked for oil concessions in North Persia, then quotes Kavtaradze "the key man in the Soviet Foreign Office" as telling the Persian newspaper, "Eterlaat" that the Soviet Government believe that the development of oil in North Persia by Persian workers in combination with first class Soviet industry will be of great importance for the consolidation of the political, economic and cultural ties between the two countries."

The "Observer" Special Correspondent comments that the statement marks an important departure from the policy which the Soviet Government has pursued in the Middle East ever since the Russian Revolution.

The economic motive behind the new move is not the shortage of oil in Russia. "Her anxiety to get hold of North Persia supplies indicates her intention to appear as an exporter of oil on world markets. The sale of oil it is hoped in Moscow, will provide some of the means of payment that will be needed to cover the import of machinery and machine tools in the years of reconstruction. Persia is confronted with new demands for oil concessions, not only from the Russians, but also from the Americans who are interested in oil resources in south-eastern Persia.

Furthermore, the Persians feel they would be too poor in capital to initiate any development schemes of their own: and this is likely to impel them to accept the proposals."—Reuter.

Chinese Approval Of Dumbarton Oaks Proposals

CHUNGKING RADIO, Oct. 13: Dr. Sun Fo President of the Executive Yuan and son of the founder of the Chinese Republic, Sun Yat-Sen and Doctor Wang Chung Hui, Secretary-General of the Supreme National Defence Council, have analyzed and generally approved the Dumbarton Oaks proposals.

Sun noted that the Secretary of the Council of the proposed United Nations Organization "has a weighty responsibility in maintaining peace and security" adding, "eleven nations on the Council will have only heavier responsibilities in regard to world security and will not be enjoying any special privilege or right."

Sun Fo said that China as a permanent member of the proposed Council "should not look upon securing this position as a privilege but as an increase in her responsibilities toward the world."

Wang, a noted jurist, said: "Suppression of aggression and the maintenance of peace depends not only on public opinion but also on strong armed forces."

He said the proposal to make the Security Council the principal authority charged with keeping the peace "will certainly ensure promptness in action which is essential to suppression of acts of aggression."—U.S.O.W.I.

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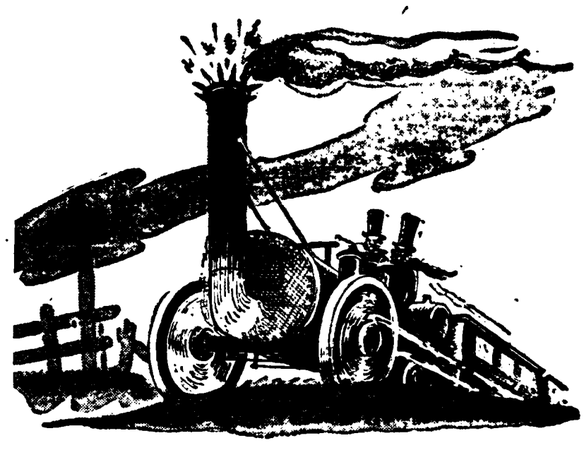

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The Chief Engineer does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender. (633)

NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS OF PETROL DRIVEN MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR BOATS RESIDING IN THE BOMBAY REGION.

APPLICATIONS for the basic ration for the quarter commencing from 1st November 1944, are to be made in H forms obtainable free from the following distributing centres.

1. For owners of motor cars, motor cycles and motor boats, in the Shamiana, erected in the Motor Vehicles Department Office, Gymnasium Road, off Cruickshank Road, Bombay, from 20th October to 31st October 1944 (excluding Sundays) between 10-30 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

2. For Municipalities, Ambulances, School Buses, Trade Numbers, Government Vehicles, Transport Vehicles, Taxis and Stage Carriages, applications are to be submitted in the office of the Area Rationing Authority, Head Police Office Compound, Bombay, from 20th to 31st October 1944, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and 10-30 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturdays.

Owners of Transport Vehicles and Taxis are informed that they should produce either 'A', 'B' or Temporary Permits and the registration certificates together with applications in H forms duly filled in.

As usual, members of the Western India Automobile Association should apply to that Association.

Applications for supplementary ration may be made in K forms obtainable at this office from 1st November 1944, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and 10-30 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturdays.

Attention of the motor owners is drawn to the fact that supplementary petrol coupons are stamped and MADE VALID FOR A MONTH ONLY though three months' ration is issued at a time.

In all cases, registration certificates must be produced together with the applications.

Owners are also informed that they must obtain their basic ration before 31st October 1944, as failing this they are likely to be put to inconvenience and delay in receiving such ration later.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Owners of cars will be required when tendering coupons at pumps to sign each coupon and enter the number and make of their motor vehicle thereon, in token of having received petrol. A notice is stamped on the front page of each coupon book, clearly defining the obligations of motor owners on handing in the coupons in token of having received petrol. This is being done to obviate any possible chance of persons possessing coupons to which they have no right.

E. SHEEHY,
Area Rationing Authority,
Bombay.
Area Rationing Office:
Bombay: 12-10-44.
(640)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Electric Bulbs available at controlled prices 50 to 200 Watts, on Monday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 3 to 5 p.m. G. K. Trading Company, Nawab Building, 327 Hornby Rd., Fort, Bombay. 634

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Controller of Stores Bombay Port Trust, at his Office at Clarke Bunder, Mazgaon, Bombay No. 10, up to 1 p.m. (N.S.T.) on Wednesday the 15th November, 1944 for the supply, during the calendar year 1945, of Miscellaneous Stores, viz:—Lubricants, Iron Castings, Firewood, Glass sheets, Carbide of Calcium, Mineral Turpentine, Linseed oils, Coir and Manila or Sisal Ropes, Cotton Waste, Vellapine and other timbers.

Full conditions and particulars are embodied in the forms of tender and schedule, which may be obtained from the Office of the Controller of Stores at Rs 5|- per copy.

Tender forms will not be sent per V.P.P.

(Sd.) S. M. DOCTOR,
Ag. Controller of Stores.
Mazgaon, Bombay 10,
11th October, 1944.
(639)

NOTICE

Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Castle, 13th October 1944.

No. 704|F.A.C.VI—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to amend the Bombay Food (Restrictions on Service of Meals by Catering Establishments) Order, 1944, as follows, namely:—

1. In the Schedule to the said Order, under the heading "II Moghal type-B" after the entry "(4) bhakaris" the entry, "or (5) eggs" shall be added.

2. In the Schedule to the said Order, under the heading "II Moghal type-A" for the entry "(5) curry and rice, or "the entry" (5) curry or dal and rice, or shall be substituted.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay.
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary.

DELHI IMPROVEMENT TRUST

INVITE APPLICATIONS for the post of Building Inspector in the grade Rs. 150-10-250 plus Motor Cycle allowance of Rs. 30|- p. m. and dearness allowance as sanctioned from time to time. Candidates should either be qualified engineers from one of the recognised engineering colleges in India, or should possess the Government diploma in Architecture from Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, and must have had practical experience of supervising building construction work. Applications stating age, qualifications and experience, together with attested copies of testimonials should reach the Chairman of the Trust, Regal Buildings, New Delhi, not later than 1st November, 1944. (643)

NOTICE

WANTED an experienced and energetic retired Commissioned Officer or a retired V.C.O. for appointment as Depot Superintendent for the Unskilled Labour Supply Depot near Thana.

He should be able to speak both English and the languages of the workers, viz., Marathi, Kanarese and Hindustani and must be able to exercise proper control ove the Labour ranging from 1,000 to 2,500 men.

Pay will be Rs. 450-20-550 month according to qualifications with free furnished quarters.

Applications with copies of certificates should reach the undermentioned Officer not later than Monday the 23rd October, 1944.

J. V. MUZUMDAR,
Secretary,
Provincial Labour Supply
Committee, Bombay.
Secretariat (First Floor),
Bombay, 12th October, 1944.
(604)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. SORABJEE OOKERJEE OOMRIGAR has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim to the said property by way of inheritance, gift, lease, lien maintenance, mortgage, charge, sale or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Readymoney Mansion, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof. All other claims, if any, which are not so received will be considered as null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece of land of Foras Tenure with the dwelling house thereon situate at Dadar Bombay admeasuring 9000 square yards or thereabouts bearing N.S. No. 1|2001 and C. S. No. 67 and 703 of Dadar Naigaum Division and Municipal F Ward Nos. 5221A 522(1AA), 522(1B), 522(1BB), 522(1C), 522(1D), 522(1E), 522(1F). Street Nos. 126, 128, 124-124A, 126B, 126A 126C, 126D, 155(7A) and bounded on the North by C. S. No. 72 on the South by Municipal Stables, on the East by Dadar Road and on the West by drain.

Dated this 14th day of October, 1944.

KANGA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(642)

PUBLIC NOTICES

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Assistant Librarian in the University Library, Bombay. Applicants must be graduates of a recognised University and possess, in addition, special qualifications in Librarianship with practical experience of library management and routine. The pay of the post is Rs. 200-10-250 E.B.-10-300. Applications giving age and details of the academic record, training and experience of the candidates and accompanied by testimonials should reach the Librarian, University Library, Bombay—1, not later than the 11th November 1944.

(Sd.) K. M. JHAVERI,
Chairman,
University Library Committee.
(636)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from experienced men, for the undermentioned posts in the New Labour Supply Depot near Thana:

(a) 1 Store-Keeper on Rs. 60-5-75 plus Dearness Allowance.
(b) 1 Clerk—(general duty)
(c) 1 Clerk-Typist on local rates of pay plus Dearness Allowance.
(d) Supervisors on Rs. 90-10-120 plus Dearness Allowance. Assistant Supervisors on Rs. 60-5-75 plus Dearness Allowance.

2. Retired and energetic men from the P.W.D. and other Government Departments, will be preferred for (a) and (b) and the selected candidate for (a) will have to furnish security. Candidates for (c) should possess usual business speed in typewriting.

3. Candidates for (d) should be active and experienced men, keen and with ability to handle gangs of Labour. Knowledge of English, essential for Supervisors.

4. Starting pay according to qualifications and experience. Accommodation for residence available on Depot site.

5. Applications with copies of certificates should reach the undermentioned Officer not later than Monday the 23rd October, 1944.

J. V. MUZUMDAR,
Secretary,
Provincial Labour Supply
Committee, Bombay.
Secretariat (First Floor),
Bombay, 13th October, 1944.
(627)

NOTICE.

VACANCIES EXIST for the following posts in the Office of the undersigned. Applications invited from qualified persons urgently.

ACCOUNTANT—Rs. 250-15-295 plus D. A.

DY. ACCOUNTANTS—Rs. 120-10-150 plus D.A.

Applicants for the above posts must be graduates possessing high academical distinction with good accounting qualifications, and must have previous experience in accounts work. Bombay domicile is essential.

A. K. RAMAN,
Addl. Director of Civil Supplies,
Council Hall,
1st Floor, Bombay.
(644)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS accompanied by certificates and testimonials will be received upto the 23rd October, 1944, for posts of Correspondence Clerks with knowledge of typewriting, good speed essential. Pay will be fixed in the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90 excluding Rs. 25-8 allowances according to qualifications.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.
Bombay Aviation Division,
Central P.W.D.,
Commerce House, Ballard Estate,
Bombay.
(618)

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE COURT OF SMALL CAUSES AT BOMBAY

SUIT NO. 7704 OF 1944.

H.H. Sir SULTAN MAHAMED-SHA AGAKHAN by his constituted attorney N. K. Petigara and Capt. Majidkhan. .. Plaintiff.

Versus.

Heir and Legal representative of THOMAS D'SOUZA. .. .. Defendant.

To

The Defendant abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that an exparte order in ejectment in the above matter has been passed against you by the Learned Judge sitting in Court Room No. 2, Floor No. III, on the 21st September, 1944, ordering you to vacate and hand over possession of Room No. 16, on the First Floor of "C" Block of Plaintiff's premises situate at 5, Mazgaon Road, Bombay, in 10 days and pay costs and Rs. 5|- professional cost and further ordered that in default of payment of Rs. 13-8-0 being the cost by you, the same shall be levied by seizure and sale of the property of Thomas D'Souza which may have come to his|her hands as Heir and Legal representative of Thomas D'Souza and that execution to issue 7 days after publication of this notice during vacation which please note.

Dated this the 12th day of October, 1944.

N. V. DHARADHAR,
Offg. Registrar.

Mr. H. B. Laskari,
Advocate for Plaintiff. (626)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CUSTODIAN OF ENEMY PROPERTY as the Custodian of the assets of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., has contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property known as "West Grange", Bungalow at Matheran, formerly belonging to the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd.

All persons having any claim or claims or interests in or to the said property or any portion thereof by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, residence, use, easement, bequest, licence, possession or otherwise howscever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office. Rustom Building, 29, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

"ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage tenement or bungalow (known by the name of West Grange) with the furniture therein and outhouses standing thereon situate at Matheran in the District of Kolaba, Sub-District of Karjat containing by admeasurement Four acres and three and half Goonthas be the same a little more or less and described and particularly denoted as No. 82 in a certain Survey map, or plan of Matheran deposited with the Collector of Kolaba and bounded, on or towards the EAST: Government land through which runs the road to Charlette Lake. WEST: Road running from Danger Point by the side of West Cud. NORTH. Pisarnath Shrine. SOUTH: Road running from Danger Point by the side of West Cud.

Dated this 11th day of October, 1944.

DADY BURJOR & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(592)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. NATVERLAL RAMCHANDRA BHATT and SHANTARAM MUGATLAL BHATT, carrying on business as India Talkies have agreed to sell TWO FULLY EQUIPPED CINEMA Theatres known as "INDIA TALKIES" and "BHIWANDI TALKIES" respectively with furniture, chairs, etc., situate at Bhiwandi more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written.

All persons having any claim of any sort against the said properties including the Theatres are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 10 days. In default, the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTIES

FIRSTLY:—All that piece or parcel of Leasehold Gowthan Land together with the THEATRE standing thereon known as INDIA TALKIES fully equipped with furniture, chairs, etc., and also together with complete Talky Machine and other machineries, etc., with projector situate at Bhiwandi bearing the following particulars:

Entry No.	Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area Acres-Gunthas	Assessment.
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Kharaba		"	0 8½	0-0-6
		2	2 9¼	10-8-6

and also bearing Municipal Nos. 229|285.

SECONDLY:—All that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground together with the Theatre standing thereon named "BHIWANDI TALKIES," fully equipped with furniture, chairs, etc., and also together with complete Talky Machines and other machineries, etc., with projector, situate at Bhiwandi, bearing the following number, City Survey No. 1227 and also bearing Municipal number 187.

Dated this 12th day of October, 1944.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Attorneys for the Purchaser.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.
(610)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION AT 12 NOON

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AT UNCLAIMED GOODS OFFICE, WADI BUNDER, G. I. P. RAILWAY.

Under instructions from G. I. P. Railway and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act of 1890 M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 31st October, 1944, at 12 noon (N. S. T.) at the above place unclaimed goods including: Bags, of G. N. Seeds, Cotton Seed, Castor Seed, Hirda, Chillies, Turmeric, Rapeseed, C. Drug Cotton, Gunnies, Jagree Acid, Brassware, Bundles of Brooms, Coir Ropes, Hemp, Bidi Leaves, Empty Tins, Cloth, Cases of Tea Shoes, Chappals, Cycle Parts H. H. Effects, Soap, Tins of Ghee, Oil, Grease, Tallow, Basket of Bangles, etc., etc.

Terms—Full amount of 50 per cent deposit and balance to be paid and delivery is to be taken on or before 9-11-44.

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AUCTION SALES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BAI HOORBAI, wife of Esmail Haji Joosab Choonawalla, of Bombay Mahomedan inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all claims and encumbrances.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 41, Hamam Street, within the Fort of Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Freehold land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Hasali Tank Street, off Lady Jamshedji Road, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 494 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 1B8 1439, Cadastral Survey No. 292, of Mahim Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under G. Ward No. 4234 (1)H, and Street No. 595AI and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Ardeshir Framji Wadia, on or towards the West by a public passage, on or towards the North by the Oart of J. M. Fernandez and on or towards the South by the said Hasali Tank Road.

Dated this 12th day of October, 1944.

R. E. PAPA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(611)

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT GOA STREET, WITHIN THE FORT OF BOMBAY.

Messrs. Gandhi & Co. Auctioneers will under instructions from Sheth Chaturbhuj Vallabhdas, the proving executor of the last Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of Sheth Gordhandas Khetsey deceased sell by Public Auction the undermentioned immovable property on Saturday the 21st inst. at 5 P. M. (S.T.) on the premises.

SCHEDULE

All that Piece of leasehold land situate on the North side of Goa Street admeasuring 326 sq. yds. registered under Callector's Rent Roll No. 8461 and bears C. S. No. 1214 of the Fort Division together with the buildings and creations standing thereon.

For Particulars apply to Messrs. Madhavji and Co., Attorneys for Sheth Chaturbhuj Vallabhdas, at Examiner Press Building, Medows Street, or to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY AT KHIMJI KHAJURIA ROAD, NEAR RY. STATION, KANDIVALI.

Messrs. Gandhi and Co. will under instructions from Sheth Chaturbhuj Vallabhdas, the proving executor of the last Will and Testament and Codicil thereto of Sheth Gordhandas Khetsey deceased sell by Public Auction the undermentioned property on Sunday 22nd Inst. at 5 P. M. (S. T.) on the premises.

All that piece of Khoti land at Malad, Pot Tukdi, Bandra, admeasuring 12272 sq. yds. together with the Bungalow and tenements standing thereon and which premises bear No. 18 of the Notified Area Committee, Kandivali.

For Particulars apply to Messrs. Madhavji & Co., Attorneys for Sheth Chaturbhuj Vallabhdas or to the undersigned.

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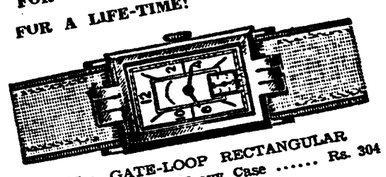

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